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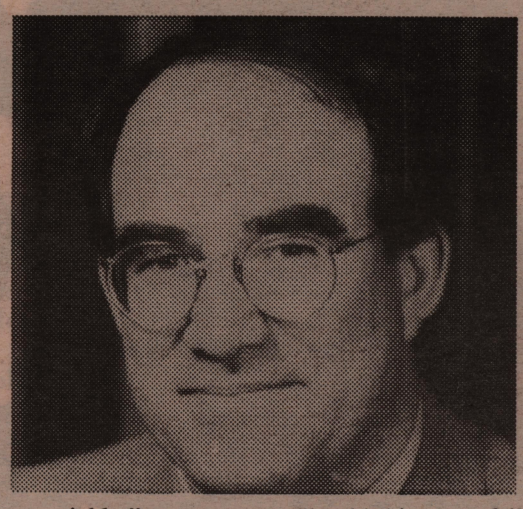
Axworthy Proposal

Strong Attacks Feds proposal

Axworthy proposal could spell the end of high-quality education.



by Jason Mercier

If the proposed cuts to education go ahead, the quality of Canadian post-secondary education will begin a downward spiral, leaving UVic with no real options.

At least, it will if UVic's president's prediction is right.

"I'm not a gloomy or a pessimistic person. I tend to be an optimist, in fact," said David Strong. "But if this goes ahead the way its made up, I promise you that the very high quality Canadian university system will begin to deteriorate very quickly."

If federal cuts are approved, post-secondary administrators across Canada will have several choices, Strong said. They could lobby for money from the province, they could go to outside sources or they could reduce costs.

All of these are choices Strong would rather not make.

"My first line of defense would be to point out to the province that they have a clear obligation to maintain the quality of its universities," said Strong.

Should this route fail, universities may have to look to corporations and individuals for funds. But Strong said there is not much hope to cover the millions that would be lost if the federal cuts go through.

"A lot of people say we could fund raise to make up the difference," said Strong.

But even Harvard, a well-endowed private university, receives 40%-50% of its budget from the U.S. government, said Strong.

Although corporations will donate buildings, scholarships, and research funds, it is "unlikely" they will cover the operating costs of the university such as building maintenance and salaries, he said.

It is on the point of salaries that Strong is most uncertain.

"We haven't given any thought to what the options would be, but it's not hard to see that we are left with two choices," he said. "We can either divide the money amongst fewer people or give fewer people a smaller portion."

"If we cut our salaries, we could start to lose people," said Strong. "Vacancies would not be filled."

Another option would place UVic in direct competition with other post-secondary institutions across the country in what Strong calls "the *Maclean's* game."

For example, Strong said, UVic will probably get a major increase in applications due to the national magazine's number one ranking of UVic this past Fall.

But because these are based on the previous year's data, they are now inaccurate.

In a market-based system, UVic, "this year's flavor" could suffer when its standing changed, said Strong. He anticipates UVic will be "fifth or sixth" next year as UVic lowered its average grade entrance.

> "I just hope I can't say this year is the beginning of the end."

He added institutions in have-not provinces such as Newfoundland or Saskatchewan will suffer from the inevitable marketing onslaught from the "Big 10" schools such as UBC, McGill, and UofT.

"I feel so strongly that this is so wrong," Strong said. "When I look back on it, I just hope I can't say that this year is the beginning of the end."❑

Tim Horton's creates waste

Tim Horton's uses only paper plates and plastic cutlery. They have no dishwasher.

by Ray Letts

Tim Horton's may have a lot of business but one thing it doesn't have is a dishwasher. It does have paper, plastic, and Tim Horton travel mugs.

UVic is currently trying to reduce its wastes in a partnership program with the Federal and Provincial governments.

Maria Miller, UVic's recycling coordinator, sits on the Vice-President's committee for Recycling along with David Clode, Associate Director for Student and Ancillary Services.

The fact that Tim Horton's only uses paper plates and plastic cutlery had not yet been brought up to the committee at interview time.

"I didn't hear anything about this situation," Miller said. "It's disgusting. How are we supposed to encourage students to reduce and re-use when we can't lead by example?"

> "We spent over $100,000 on renovating the fishbowl and it wasn't convenient."

Clode said that the issue of a dishwasher was debated hotly when the university was looking at the plans for the franchise.

"We spent over $100,000 on renovating the fishbowl (in the MacLaurin Building) and it wasn't convenient," he said, adding there is no explicit policy regarding recycling on campus.

The UVic Centre, Begbie and residence cafeterias all have dishwashers. However, the Student Union Building has no dishwasher.

"We know it's not a good situation and we are changing that," said Morris Redekopp, Administrative Coordinator of the SUB. "When the new SUB is completed there will be flatware, mugs and plates for our dining outlets."❑

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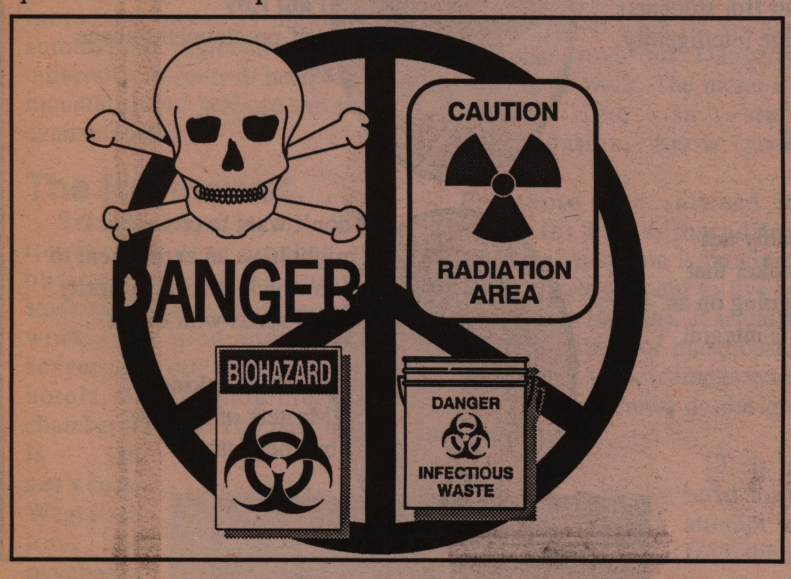
Nuclear weapons in World Court

The UN refers a question of the legality of nuclear arms to the World Court last month.

by Christine Ewart

The second international attempt at making nuclear weapons illegal world wide went to the World Court in December.

The General Assembly of the United Nations voted to send the question to its own supreme court



December 15. The question, 'is the threat or use of nuclear weapons illegal under existing international law?' should be answered within two years. Canada chose to abstain from the vote.

"This is the most significant action toward nuclear disarmament in the past twenty years," said Dr. Mary-Wynne Ashford, past Vice-President of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War.

Ashford added a favourable ruling could prove "far more important" than current disarmament efforts.

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Currently there is no clear-cut statement that makes nuclear weapons legal or illegal under international law. However, Ashford said there are several existing international principles which suggest that the threat or use of nuclear arms is indeed illegal.

According to the "Humanitarian Rules of Armed Conflict," weapons or tactics that cause unnecessary or aggravated devastation and suffering, do not discriminate between combatants and civilians, cause wide-spread, long term and severe damage to the environment, and violate the neutral jurisdiction of non-participating states are prohibited by law.

The International Court of Justice or "World Court" will advise the UN on this question, declaring nuclear weapons either legal or illegal. Either way, the decision will fundamentally redefine the current arms race, and its major players.

The "big five" — the US, UK, France, China and Russia — currently maintain they alone have the legal right to use or threaten to use nuclear weapons.

If the World Court declares nuclear weapons legal, the ruling will apply to all nations and legitimize the efforts of countries in the Middle East and elsewhere to successfully manufacture nuclear warheads.

If the World Court declares nuclear weapons illegal, considerable internal and international pressure could be put on the nuclear states, who continue to spend public funds to finance the production and maintenance of nuclear weapons.

"Those countries that do not have nuclear weapons finally have something on the nuclear states," Ashford said, adding a legal ruling would likely elicit petitions to outlaw nuclear weapons faster than anything else.

The 'World Court Project' is the end result of a seven-year effort initiated by three international non-governmental organizations. The Project has received criticism from nations, including Canada, who believe the legal question will interfere with ongoing disarmament efforts such as the Non-Proliferation Treaty.

However, supporters of the World Court Project maintain that other international initiatives are failing, and cite the growing number of nuclear-capable nations as a key indication of this.

Ashford said the number of countries able to build nuclear weapons has nearly doubled during the last 25 years. In the face of this proliferation, other nations are retreating from previous commitments to remain nuclear-free.

Even if current international treaties are fully implemented by 2003, 20,000 warheads will still

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remain. In addition, despite international efforts to decrease the number of nuclear weapons, the Project estimates that 50,000 warheads, or the explosive equivalent of 500,000 Hiroshima bombs, currently exist.

But the Canadian government insists that current treaties are more effective than World Court action.

"Canada is concerned that some states may use the [World Court] as a means to prevent or delay . . . international initiatives, on the basis that the larger issue of the legality of nuclear weapons was being dealt with," said Liberal Dennis Mills, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Industry, four days before the UN vote.

Canada has consistently abstained from the UN vote to send this question to the World Court, and has supported motions by France and Germany to prevent court action.

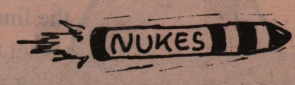
The World Court has no means to enforce its decisions. The responsibility for enforcement rests with individual governments and their citizens.

In this case the World Court is legally required to consider the opinions of world citizens on nuclear weapons in making their decision.

So far, over 100 million declarations in favour of making nuclear weapons illegal have been collected world-wide and will be forwarded to the World Court as evidence of the public conscience in this case.

The Canadian branch of the World Court Project feels Canada is "out of step with the majority of the world's nations" on this question, and demands that the government submit a legal brief which reflects Canadian public opinion.

For more information on the Project, contact the Martlet office or Dr. Elinor Powell, National President of the Physicians for Global Survival, at 592-6263.❑



Submerged for part of the year, these stumps sit inside Sooke Lake — Victoria's source of drinking water. The Greater Victoria water district is about to announce a land use plan for the "off catchment" portion of the watershed.
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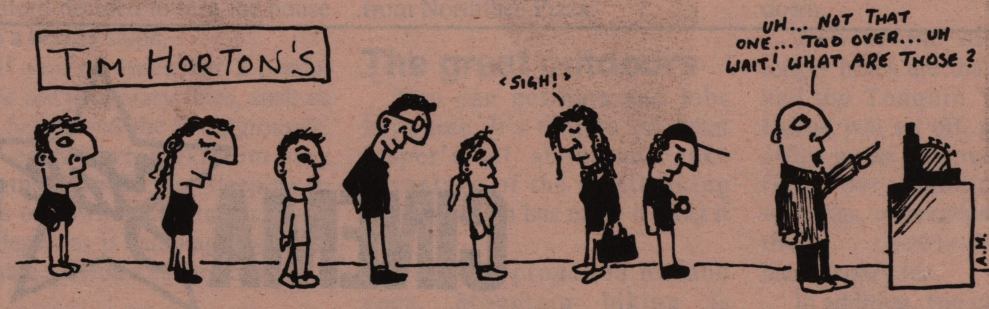

UVic rakes in dough from Tim Horton's

by Ray Letts

Six months ago UVic purchased a part of the Tim Horton's empire. Two months ago, Tim Horton's opened its doors in the MacLaurin building.

Business is booming and lineups are common, but people seem willing to wait for a donut.

"We got a great deal"

"Business has surpassed our projections," said David Clode, associate director of Student & Ancillary Services. "Things are going very well. To start with, we were pulling $5,000 per day out of Tim Horton's."

"We got a great deal," Clode said when asked about rumors of up to $300,000 in franchise fees and 15% of gross sales paid to Tim Horton's. "We paid $5,000 up front and give 4.5% of the gross sold on the site."

"We have a large population near the Fine Arts that is not being served," he added. "People are brought up today in a brand name consumerism society. There is a bias against institutional food like hospitals and the UVic Centre caf."

Food Services has been steadily losing money over the last several years. Clode said theft and high labour costs due to unionization are largely responsible.

"We serve an impoverished clientele that we have to outfit with mugs and cutlery every year," he said. "And at five dollars per mug, it costs us a lot."

Student and Ancillary Services, of which Food Services is a part, has to balance its budget every year. Tim Horton's was brought in to help do so.

"Although there is a general feeling of antipathy towards outside businesses on campus, there is no explicit policy as such," said Clode. "We are only locked in for a three year contract with Tim Horton's, and if we choose to extend the contract there will be no further fees beyond the 4.5%."

Thirty students were interviewed to get their feelings on our new franchise. Reactions were evenly mixed. One-third did not care, one-third liked the idea, and one-third did not like the idea.

"We are only locked in for a three year contract."

"We need someone to set a standard of good food at good prices for the students," said one student. "UVic obviously can't do that." Concerns raised were litter on campus and setting a precedent for commercialization of the campus.

One comment was more pointed.

"This is so typical. We are supposed to have some brains and creativity at UVic," said another student. "And the best they can do is to bring in a franchise with junk food and sandwiches. We can't even run it ourselves."❑

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Question: Are you going to the cross the Lloyd Axworthy picket lines at UVic on Wednesday, January 25?

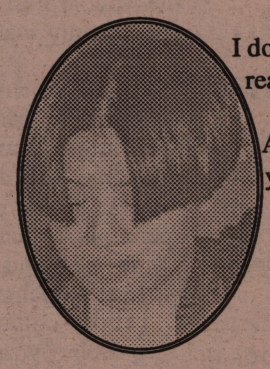
by rkwong

No, I don't plan on crossing the line because I don't want to support the action [Axworthy] is taking. It goes without saying [he] is wrong.

Kindrée Draper
year 4 english & sociology

I haven't decided it because I have an economics lab that day to hand in, but I do support the cause. I don't want tuition fees to go up, but I don't support the violence to cross picket lines. I think it should be a personal decision.

Debbie Holmes
year 1 pre-commerce



I don't know yet. I haven't really thought about it.

Audrey Chong
year 1 science

No. I probably will go to the strike just to support my fellow students in hopes that most ordinary students can still attend school.

Trent Fread
year 3 political science

No photograph available

I will show up for classes, not because of apathy but as a vote. We, the students, are just another special interest group. The cost of the school is the same, whether we pay it now or later. It is more fair [for students] to see the true costs and judge intelligently.

Peter Enns
year 3 mechanical engineering

Never heard of it. I just got back on campus two weeks ago.

Paul Eby
self-proclaimed science geek

No photograph available

I'm not. I don't know anything about [the picket lines]. I know [the university] are going to jack up tuition. I agree with the picketing.

Louise Willoughby
year 1 arts

I haven't decided yet, but probably not because of a special guest speaker that night and our prof said it is going on as scheduled and [his speech] is integral information for the course.

Anna Walter
year 4 linguistics

I don't want to cross, but I might have an experiment to do which will take priority. My seeds won't wait.

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Blaber sues UVic over free speech

Dear Miss Hardy

Since being elected to the Board of Governors, I charge that you have done virtually nothing to benefit the student body other than to help the UVSS create an atmosphere of gender hatred.

You have not used this medium, the internet to inform we the students of UVic of any of your sundry albeit useless exploits in the realm of student politics.

I charge that you are not only incompetent as a member of the board of governers, but a waste of space on the ballot. It sickens me to think thawt you will use this position on your resume without explaining how inept you actually were.

Pheh!

Robyn Blaber

"And I will execute great vengeance upon them with furious rebukes; and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them."

-Ezekiel 25:17

by Shawn Hall

A lawyer representing UVic went to court Wednesday to defend the University's harassment policy.

Robyn Blaber, a UVic Computer Science student and president of the Men's Club is suing the university over the response to a letter he wrote on a university Internet bulletin board (uvic.secretariat). If the case is successful, UVic's harassment policy will be abolished as a violation of free speech.

But according to the University's lawyer, Michael Hutchinson, the issue is not one of free speech, but of a possible breach of contract which has been blown out of proportion.

The issue started December 8 when Blaber wrote an open letter on the Internet (see sidebar) criticizing student politician Beth Hardy. While Blaber said the letter was intended to spark debate, the university took a stronger view.

"I took it as a very serious threat," said Hardy, adding that, contrary to recent press coverage, when she saw the letter she alerted the University Secretary, Sheila Sheldon-Collier and anti-harassment officer, Susan Shaw, to the possible threat.

Michael Miller, chair of the Computer Science department then wrote a letter to Blaber requesting he explain to Shaw the purpose and intent of the letter and acknowledge that it could be interpreted in an intimidating or threatening manner. The letter also asked Blaber to confirm he has reviewed the University's policy on university-funded facilities, such as the Internet board, and that he would in the future use moderation in tone when writing on the board.

"He was using computer equipment paid for by the university," said Hutchinson.

"They didn't ask him to acknowledge he had harassed anyone," he said, adding UVic's definition of harassment is not based on the intent of the accused, but on the effect to the complainant. But in this case, he said, UVic had no intention of taking extreme action.

"Had he written a letter to Dr. Miller then it is likely no further action would have been taken [against Blaber]," he said.

However, Hutchinson said, Blaber initiated his court case before the case could be worked out, claiming that restricting his use of the Internet constituted a breach of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms freedom of speech clause.

The case mentions UVic, Miller and Shaw as defendants.

"The university, I feel, is taking a heavy-handed approach to me because I am brave enough to stand up to radical feminism," Blaber said. "I have found lately it has become a badge of honor for feminists to take on the Men's Club."

"Having the university step in and take sides has been the grave injustice in this," he said. "I have no intention of rocking the foundation of feminism."

"It was an inappropriate use of the University's board."

Blaber said Miller's request amounts to a choice for him of admitting he harassed Hardy or lose his computer privileges.

He went on to accuse the University of illegally taking away his Internet account and the account of the Men's Club before the court case had been completed. As of press time, Blaber's accounts were still active.

"I stand by what I said about [Hardy] and invite her comment," he said, adding as she is a public figure, fair criticism is valid and that Hardy is difficult to intimidate.

"I don't think I could intimidate Beth Hardy with a chainsaw," Blaber said.

"People are entitled to discuss my performance," said Hardy. "But that [chainsaw comment] is a terribly inappropriate comment."

"In cases like this I think there has to be very clear guidelines established for e-mail use," she said. "It was an inappropriate use of the University's board."

Hardy added any institution funding an account has the right to regulate what kind of material is valid. She said using the account for potentially harassing material is a breach of the contract agreed to by all users of the board.

The issue is therefore not one of free speech, Hardy said, adding even if the contract were not an issue, free speech is not automatic.

"You cannot say things that are defamatory, racially prejudice .... There has been precedence set," she said. "One person's free speech ends when it violates another person's right to safety."

In July 1994, Blaber enraged some students by posting "Helpful Tips: 80 Popular Pick-up Lines" on the Men's Club newsgroup. It included lines such as "If you ever want to see your children again, you'll do what I want," and "Sex is a killer, so die happy." The list was cancelled by Blaber when he found he could not defend the humour of the list.❑

Twenty attend vigil to support Natives

by Shawn Hall

About 20 UVic students and members of the activist community staged a vigil in front of David Anderson's office last Friday. Anderson is the local Liberal MP and the federal Minister of Revenue.

"What we wanted to do was show our support for the people who were occupying the Revenue Canada office," said protester MacDonald Scott.

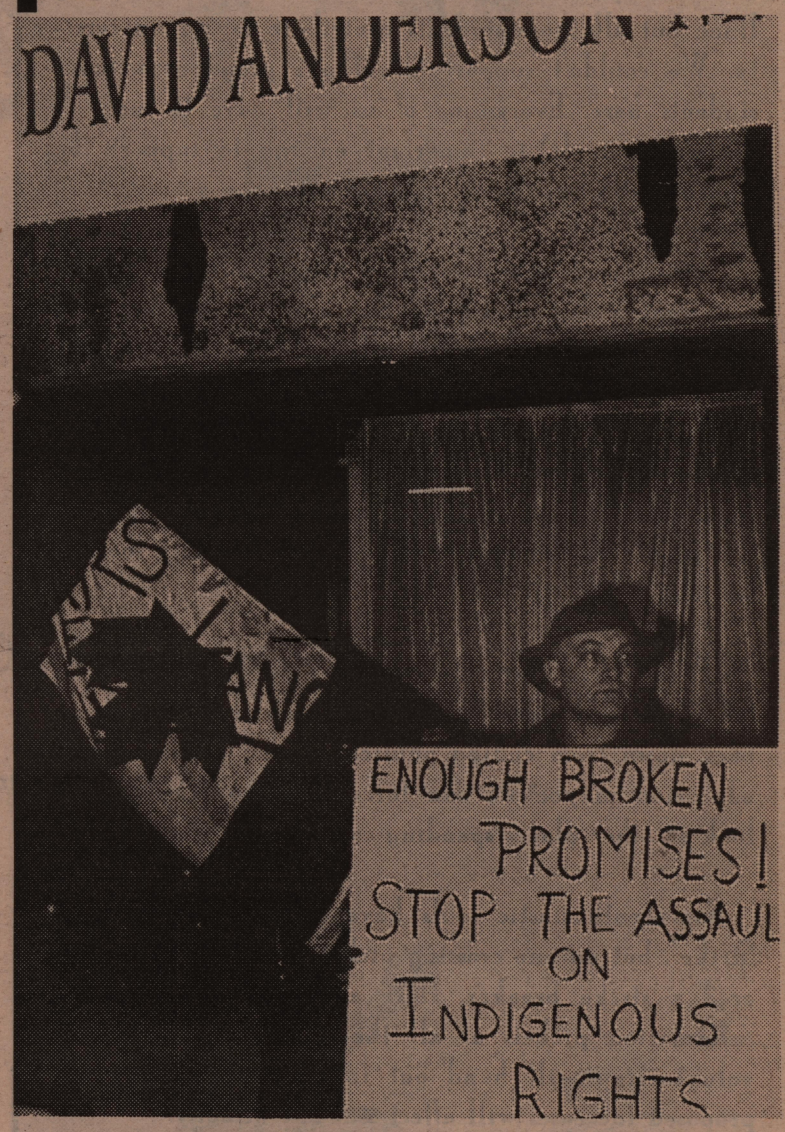
Twenty-seven natives occupied the Revenue Canada office in Ottawa for several weeks to protest changes to tax guidelines for natives working off reserve.

"We wanted to .. show our support for the people who were occupying the Revenue Canada Office.'

The protesters vacated the office late last week.

Scott said the tax changes are only part of the larger degradation of rights for poor Canadians.

About 3,000 natives across Canada will be affected by the changes.❑



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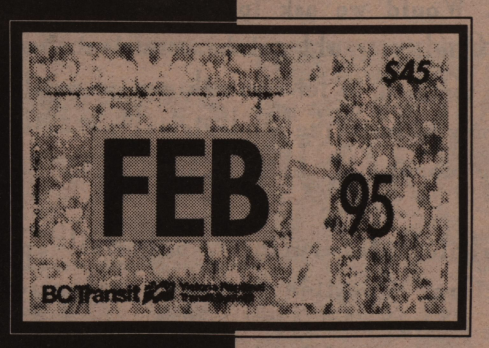

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EDITORIAL

This is YOUR issue!!!

Look around you. Students. Everywhere you look. What would a university or a college be without students? Sure there are researchers and scientists and professors engaging in stimulating debate. But without students, what's the point?

That's what January 25, the National Student Day of Action, is all about -- Showing Lloyd Axworthy, the Liberals, Canadians and ourselves what a university without students would be.

We complain about overcrowded classrooms and long lines, but all those students contribute to our university. We couldn't support all of our programs without students here. Every one of us will have to make a decision - is UVic important enough to support the students who have decided to protest?

The general public may see us as spoiled kids who just want a day off school. But who else can organize the way students can? We all gather together in one place so messages can easily be passed from one person to the next. We all have the same basic desire - a diploma or degree confirming our knowledge and hard work. Welfare moms can't organize this way, neither can people on unemployment - they're too busy looking for jobs.

It's a cliche, but it's true. It's our future that is being decided here. If we can force the Liberals to back down from ending publicly-funded post-secondary education maybe we can force them to take a hard look at other places spending can be cut.

Some enthusiastic souls have called it a "National Strike", but no one crossing picket lines will be considered a strike breaker. Here at UVic, there will be information pickets at all the entrances. The people volunteering will hand out information on how the proposed increases will affect students directly.

The rally in front of the Legislature will be a chance for other like-minded people in Victoria to join with students in protest. Together, students and concerned citizens can show the Liberals that education is not just a personal concern, it is a public concern.

Consider what else taxes pay for. The sewers underneath houses, the streetlights outside, the pavement we drive on. Would we ask for people to pay for their portion? Quality would not be consistent. Some people would be tempted to let some things go until they had more money - just like students taking a term off to earn more money.

Our whole infrastructure would fall apart. Like ingrastucture, education is a national priority that should be treated as such.

Editorial topics are decided on by staff at editorial meetings, which happen every Monday at 4p.m. in the Martlet *office. Editorials are written by one or more staffers; opinions are not necessarily those of the* Martlet *or all staff.*

The *Martlet* has an open letters policy and will undertake to print every letter received from members of the university community. Letters must be **TYPEWRITTEN** (you can use *Martlet* machines), double spaced and include your name, student number and a phone number for verification. **LETTERS MUST BE 250 WORDS MAXIMUM.** Editors reserve the right to edit ruthlessly for length and libelous content. Deadline is Monday 10 am. Letters will be priorized in the order received. Only one submission from the same person will be printed per week. Letters with pseudonyms will not be printed. Letters will not be edited for spelling or grammar.

A farewell to rkwong

Editors:

To the Society

Thank you for a wonderful yet stressful time on the Board of Directors of the Martlet Publishing Society. As a director, I have learned much much about non-profit groups, volunteer management, labour laws, insurance, law suits, computers & technophobes, etc.

Only since November of 1993, the directors have had effective and efficient control over the financial and legal affairs of the Martlet Publishing Society which publishes the Martlet. With a rebateable membership fee of $2.75 per term and a new and energetic ad director, the Martlet has finally been able to bring in an expected annual revenue of $170,000. With the surplus, the Martlet has also been able to replace aging equipment, such as cameras circa 1940 and the IBM XT's.

As a member-at-large, I was supposed to be elected by the student body. As usual, almost nobody applied and the three members-at-large (Sergio Rodriguez, economics, Alan Moore, Computer Science, and myself, physics) were acclaimed. We have had great success into input and management of the society. Unlike other student groups, this Board had a great number of paid and volunteer staff to carry out decided policies.

It is due to my commitment to a new/old job that I must resign as the Secretary and director of the Martlet Publishing Society effective January 19, 1995.

With great regrets
Raymond Kwong

Papal debate

Edirors:

Last year, the UVIC Catholic student group created a series of lectures entitled "To know your neighbour is to Love your neighbour," on understanding other faith traditions. When I read the article "Pope shuts the door on tolerance," by Tara Colborne, on the Pope's book, I could not believe that the Pope had taken such an intolerant stance against other religions. I have always liked the importance Catholicism has stressed on freedom of religion since Vatican II. After I read *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, I was greatly relieved to find that Tara Colborne seriously misrepresented the Pope's and the Catholic Church's position on toleration of other religions. Furthermore, she fails to mention the real problems with the book.

In her article she writes that he pope tells us that ".Buddhism lies [and that] the Koran is impossible."

1. In fact, John Paul makes no such reference to the Koran except to say that Islam has lost the idea of "God-with-us." Then the Pope mentions that Christians have much to learn from the Islamic people's faithfulness The rest of the chapter is devoted to developing a greater dialogue with Islam.

2. In regards to Buddhism, John Paul is responding to thequestion about whether or not Buddhism can be incorporated into Catholicism. He says this cannot be so because the main tenets of Buddhism and Christianity are very different; however, he does stress the richness of the mystic tradition in Buddhism. Never does he say that it lies.

3. In the chapter entitled *Religious Freedom*, Pope John Paul II stresses the importance of this ideal and writes that a non-Christian can enter the kingdom of God.

John Paul II does not fully embrace other religions but his position is assuredly tolerant.

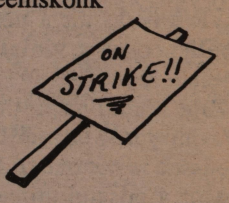
Tara Colborne fails to mention the two most important problems with the book:

1. The Pope gives only the history of tolerance in the Catholic Church and fails to mention its abysmal history of intolerance.

2. The Pope's use of male-gendered language and failure to answer any questions on the position of women in the Catholic Church reinforces the blatant, unChristian sexism that exists in the Church.

If Tara Colborne had not "expected" to find these intolerant views in a book written by the Pope she might have been more "tolerant" to the Catholic tradition and spotted the real problems with the book. For her reading pleasure, I suggest the book, *The Docu ments of Vatican II,* which contains more intolerant Catholic viewpoints especially under the section entitled: "Religious Freedom."

Matt Heemskonk



I support women, *but*...

Editors:

I was very glad to learn of the February 22 conference, "UVic Women: Sharing Strengths and Strategies." The event sounds, interesting and well-organized, and I hope that all goes off well. I thought the recognition awards at the conference were a particularily good idea: there are many individuals who contribute much to the life and spirit of the University, and a great number of them are, of course, women.

But if on February 22 the conference were entitled "UVic *Men*: Sharing Strengths and Strategies" and nominations were being solicited for *Men* who have shown leadership and made an outstanding contribution to the University," what would be the reaction on campus? How many cries of "Chilly climate!" or "Sexism!" would we hear? How many demands would there be to ban this discriminatory event from campus? How many people would storm the offices of senior University officials, outraged? Opressive environment! Patriarchal power structure! Feminist repression! How many people would stop to ponder that perhaps we sometimes apply a double standard? Just wondering....

Leigh Large

The Martlet

Quote of the week:
"Student politicians are born with perfect teeth and a taste for dinner at 24 Sussex Dr"
Michael Valpy in the **Globe and Mail**

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Loud and clear

Editors:

January 25 is my chance to speak out. Hear me loud and clear.

I am sick of Mr. Trudeau's debt and I don't want to contribute to it.

I am going to classes.

Peter Enns

Freedom denied?

Editors:

I never thought I'd see the day that I'd agree with Doug Christie.

According to the Jan. 10 Times Colonist, Blaber accused Beth Hardy of Being incompetent and a "waste of space on the ballot", and signed "And I will execute great vengeance upon them with furious rebukes: and they shall know that I am the Lord when I shall lay my vengeance upon them." For this he's accused of harassment.

I have read Robyn Blaber's letters in the Martlet before, and frankly, they've turned my stomach. This doesn't mean that he isn't entitled to his opinions.

By calling Beth Hardy, in effect, and incompetent representative of the student body, he is merely expressing an opinion, accurate or not. The signature used indicates that he's probably a fundamentalist, using the quote as a signature of his values and religious beliefs. He said he'd used this signature for weeks. If that's true and merely called Ms. Hardy incompetent, what's harassing about that? If a newpaper was suspended, for expressing an unpopular opinion, the press woud be the first to scream censorship. The Martlet and other student papers did just that when UBC's adminitration suspended Ubyssey because of two articles they did.

Lawyer Michael Hutchinson said all Blaber had to do is "acknowledge he might have been out of line and agree to be a little more careful in the future". If Blaber admitted he may have been "out of line", he'd be pleading guilty to the harassment charge when, if he'd been using the signature for weeks, he wasn't. He'd only been expressing his honest opinion.

If Blaber used that biblical quote as a signature because of his religious beliefs, he would be justified in charging UVic with violating not only his free speech, but freedom of religion.

All this could have been avoided if the anti-harassment office simply approached him and asked him to tone down his signature so that it couldn't be misconstrued in the future.

Sincerely
Drew Howard

Working hard for you!

Editors:

What has the UVSS done for you lately???

* The Grad Class of '95 is hosting loose and Carol Neaople in the SUB Upper on January 20, @8:00 PM FREE FOR GRADS AND 2 BUCKS FOR OTHERS.

* SPIRIT OF THE WEST - UVIC Commons Block, night before the biggest student strike in Canada January 24, Doors open at 8:30.(There is a rumor that there is going to be a second show Wednesday night too, keep your ears and eyes open).

* NATIONAL STUDENT STRIKE JANUARY 25 - information picket lines at the four main entrances to campus. Don't go to class protest against increasing tuition, go to the legislature @12:30!!

*AMERICAN DREAM - film about a strike in a Minnesota meat packing plant, Cinecenta 7:10 & 9:15 There will be a raffle before each showing and all box-office proceeds will be donated to help pay the winners' tuition. All seats 3 bucks.

* Upcoming events include the UVSS Semi-Annual Annual General Meeting February 15 @ 11:30, and UVSS Elections, start thinking of running for a position now.

For more information call, Tina Walker Chairperson UVSS @ 721-8370

"Bemused" commentary

Editors:

I was somewhat bemused by the tone of your lead article about the protests mounted on Professor Brodribb's behalf last week. Despite many months worth of careful stage manageing to make Brodribb look like a big-time victim of the patriarchy, the truth is that she now has tenure and is in an unassailable position. The hyperbolic claim of one protester that "This is another example of the use of psychiatry to silence political dissidence by women" is a laughably perfect example of Big Sister double-speak. In point of fact, Brodribb has silenced *herself*: she refuses to speak to even sympathetic feminist reporters. Rather than an effort at silencing, this visit to the doctor which is standard in work disputes such as this-is an effort to get Brodribb to *regain* her voice as a teacher. Or does the taxpayer have to fork out considerably more that $60,000 a year before Brodribb will share her special insights with a few classes worth of students?

-Robert Moyes

Don't graduate

Editors:

Why are we at university? The right answer is to get a degree (of course!). And so after lots of hard work we get this piece of paper that opens doors - no substutite for hard work right? Wrong!

I've actually found out that due to (only recently observed) regulations at the university, your degree, year of graduation and even REGISTRATION at uvic is private information and not disclosable to anyone without your prior consent (my source was a very helpful woman at Records Services)! Only in special cases (and by appointment) is anyone allowed to see your record of being at Uvic!

What does this mean? Well, smart people that have completed their required courses for their degree and only have electives left should bug out into the workforce and claim they have a degree - NO ONE CAN CHECK!

So, why am I still registered when I have only to take csc340 along with 7 other electives (from any year!) to graduate? I guess I'm a sucker for self abuse.

John Howard

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Survey looks at survivor needs

by Jenny Manzer

Next week, a random selection of UVic students will receive a survey in the mail entitled 'Sexual Aggression and Violence in Intimate Relationships.'

The survey was largely designed by the Date Rape and Dating Violence Project said Chris Schmidt, a project organizer.

Results of the 10-page questionnaire will indicate which types of violence are most prevalent and merit the most attention, said Schmidt.

The survey will also determine if the needs of survivors are being met on campus, if services are used, and why or why not, he said.

Results may cause a reassessment of on-campus services, said Schmidt. "There are changes afoot in the administration."

The survey will be distributed in numbers corresponding to the gender and faculty of the UVic population. A thousand surveys will be mailed, with some copies available at the SUB General Office.

Janet Sheppard, UVic counselor and Chair of the Sexual Assault Committee said that organizers strived to insure the "maximum safety" of respondents.

In order to protect privacy, no one on the research team will have access to the return envelopes, she said.

The survey is a product of collaboration between campus groups, including the Women's Centre, the UVSS, Housing, and Counselling.

"It was pretty far reaching," said Sheppard.

She said student representatives on the Committee originally initiated the survey.

"There's been a momentum building," said Sheppard, who has been active in personal safety issues on campus. "We do have to look at things on this campus."

The UVic survey follows on the heels of several other University surveys, such as the University of Alberta's 40-page questionnaire.

"I am very much opposed to doing more research of this kind for its own sake," Schmidt said.

He stressed the practical uses of the data for "beefing up services for survivors on campus."

"Assessing services should be done on an ongoing basis," observed Sheppard.

The survey is jointly funded by UVic and the Ministry of Women's Equality under their Women's Equality Grant program.

The Ministry is providing $2,700 said Agnes Ananichuk, Grant Administrator. Ananichuk described the Ministry's relationship with the project, as "arms-length," with UVic responsible for the final product.

Organizers are hoping to have a final report on survey results out between late March and early April.❑

SUB construction underway

by Andrew MacLeod

After more than five years of planning and delays students can finally watch the Student Union Building expansion begin to take shape in concrete and steel.

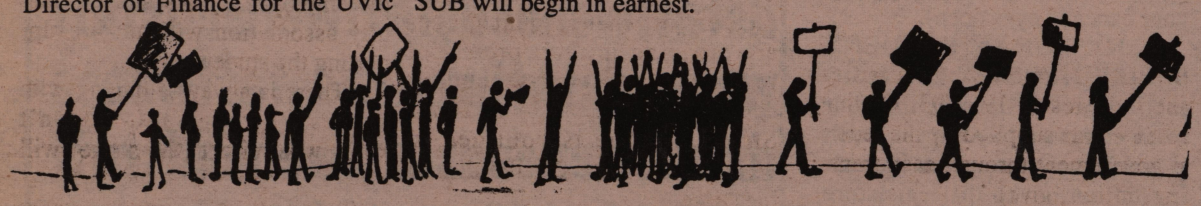
"It's going far better than we hoped," said Michael Gardiner, Director of Finance for the UVic Students' Society.

The project is three months ahead of the most recent schedule due to an ideal site, well made plans, and luck with the weather, Gardiner said.

Completion of the new area is still set for next January, at which time the renovation of the current SUB will begin in earnest.

The new SUB will include an entertainment lounge, a pub/dining lounge, a bakery with an espresso bar, four fast food outlets and expanded office space for several student organizations.

The expansion is budgeted to cost $10.5 million. Students will be paying for the project until 2001.❑



Senate briefs

by Jason Mercier

From the January 11 sentate meeting

Women's Studies

The senate passed a motion giving Women's Studies new status as a full Department.

Friendly comments were made by Reg Mitchell, a faculty senator, who said he felt "strange" about proposing a Department "which will become extinct" although Mitchell said he had no intention of voting against the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

New Engineering Senator

Sudhakar Rao won the engineering student senator position by acclimation. When asked if he had any plans with the position, Rao replied "not at the moment."

Program Changes

•The School of Business is now the Faculty of Business. The budget will not be changed.

•A new program will be offered in Hotel and Restaurant Management in collaboration with affiliated community colleges and industries. The program will be accepting its first students September 1996.

•Students in the Writing Department have two new options that were passed at the January 11 meeting.

A minor will now be offered in professional writing, as well as a Harvey Southam diploma in writing and editing.❑

JOIN the NATIONAL STUDENT STRIKE January 25, 1995

WHAT WILL THE SOCIAL POLICY REVIEW MEAN FOR US?

TUITION SKYROCKETS

According to the Government of Canada's own statistics,"the increase for university students could be **$1800 - $2000** per year." According to the Globe and Mail the increase could be "**$2500** per year."

NEW STUDENT LOANS = LIFETIME DEBT

The Feds plan to change student loans would eliminate interest relief during the period of study. A New Brunswick gov't study predicted men would be in debt to the age of 38 under Income Contingent Repayment Plans while the average **woman** would be in debt for her education until the age of **52.**

SCAPEGOATING

According to Statistics Canada, Social Spending only comprises 2% of the National Debt while corporate tax loopholes comprise 44%. Education is critical to the economic future of Canada. Why then is the government attacking students and the unemployed?

THE SOCIAL POLICY REVIEW WILL COST YOU!

On January 25, students and faculty are being asked to **not** come to UVic and encouraged to attend a rally at the legislature in protest of the Federal Cuts. Information lines will clog entrances in order to ensure that all members of the University community are aware of the day and of the rally! Please, show your support by joining us on the lines and/or going to the rally. Drop by the Resource Centre in the SUB to sign up.

GET INVOLVED

RALLY FOR YOUR FUTURE! - JAN 25 @ 12:30 LEGISLATURE

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President proposes alternatives

by Jason Mercier

UVic's president is still waiting for a reply to his November 30 letter criticizing the federal government's proposed funding changes to post-secondary education.

He may be waiting for a while.

"The number one mistake that was made was including post-secondary education as part of social policy," said Strong.

"Why should I expect coming generations to pay the bill?"

He said that if the proposal does go through the largest universities, including UVic, will benefit from the increased emphasis on research.

But in the long term the system will lose students and the brain power to do research, said Strong.

"The poorer the people, the bigger the hurdle to borrow money," he said. "No matter how smart the student, [higher loan costs] will be a barrier."

Strong added that students seem to be suffering more financial [hardships] now compared to when he was at university.

Strong said that Canadians, in particular those who have degrees, have been enjoying a low level of tax compared to countries with similar social programs.

"I have been enjoying a high quality social system and I haven't been paying my share of taxes," he said. "Why should I expect coming generations to pay the bill?"

The letter he sent to local Liberal MP David Anderson, Lloyd Axworthy, Elizabeth Cull, and

"No matter how smart the student, [higher learning costs] will be a barrier."

Dan Miller outlined Strong's plan to make up for federal funding cuts currently planned by Axworthy, Minister of Human Resources Development.

In his position paper — sent with the letter — Strong proposes a 2.6% tax on degree-holding graduates, as well as no tuition for post-secondary education.

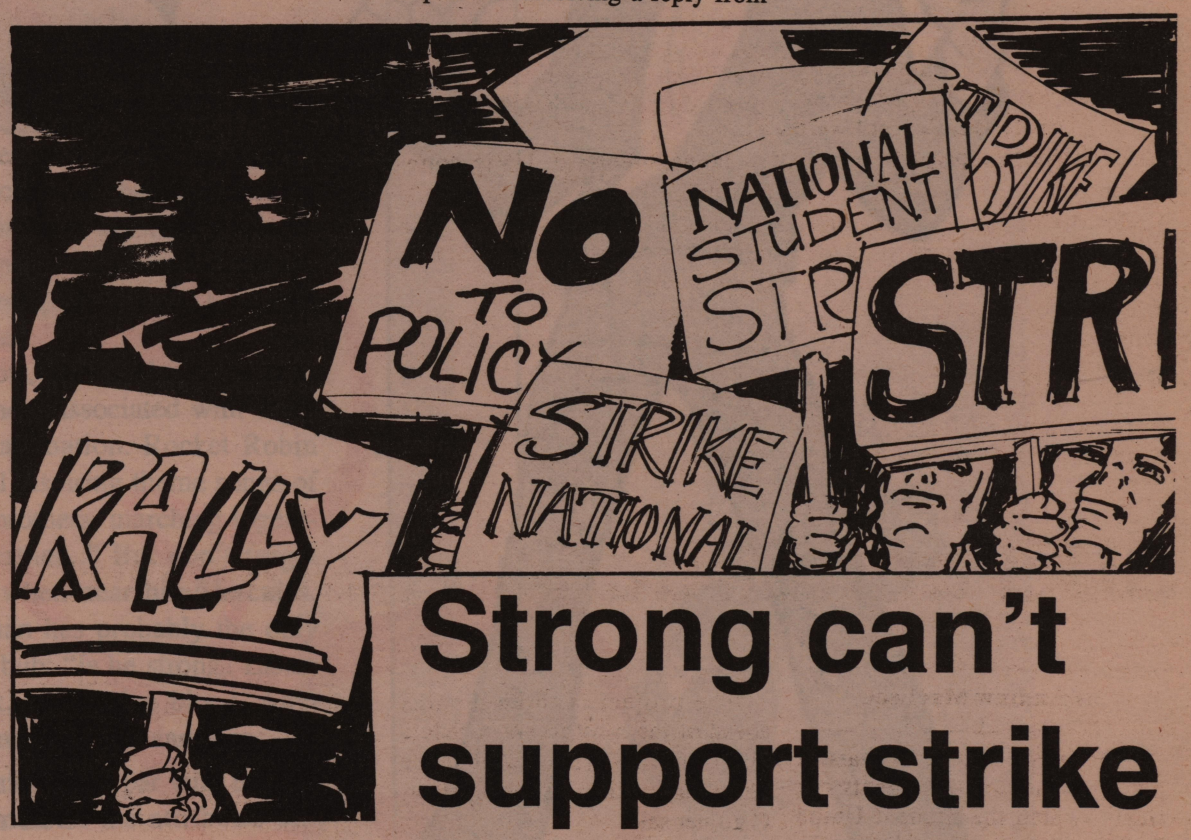
There are other alternatives being proposed, he added.

The Association of Universities and Colleges in Canada (AUCC) proposes that some cuts still occur, but the remaining $800 million would be transferred

Strong does not agree with the AUCC position. He prefers to retain the current structure — monies transferred to the provinces and no funding cuts.

But Strong is not particularly hopeful on receiving a reply from the politicians whom he sent his letter. "It seems to have disappeared into a black hole," said Strong.

As of December 17, he was still waiting for a reply. ❑



Strong can't support strike

by George Pringle

During the discussion on financing of post secondary education in Lloyd Axworthy's Social Policy Review, there has been some confusion on the impact of the proposed changes.

A variety of large figures have been bandied back and forth by the government and interest groups — a reduction of $2.6 billion in direct cash transfers to the provinces while maintaining $3.5 billion in tax credits - students paying 11%, 18%, 25% or 50% of the cost of their education.

Different sets of numbers are being used by different people to back up their particular political position.

The question most often asked by students is "How exactly is this going to affect my tuition bill?"

Post secondary education is a provincial responsibility which the federal government helps finance through transfer payments. In the 92-93 fiscal year the federal government transferred $765,640,000 to British Columbia. This included $394,228,000 in direct cash payments.

Under current arrangements, the cash payments are scheduled to be phased out over the next ten years. In the Axworthy plan the funds would not be phased out, but would be used to establish an Income Contingent Loan Repayment Plan.

That plan would allow students to borrow more money which would be paid back after graduation depending on income.

The provincial government allocated $1,163,686,600 to British Columbia's universities and colleges in 1992/93. Of that 33.88% was supplied by the federal government through cash transferred (see above).

The tax credit system - which isn't being changed - provides another 31.92% of the provincial funding.

In the 92-93 fiscal year, UVic received $140,673,000 in government grants. If the provincial government froze their allocation and if UVic didn't cut their expenditures the impact of the federal cut to UVic would be $47,660,093, which students would be expected to make up.

During 1992/93 students paid $25,369,000 in fees to the university. With that in mind, the worst case scenario is that tuition would almost triple.❑

by Jason Mercier

Although he was informed recently of what student groups are planning in their protest of federal cuts to post-secondary education, UVic president David Strong said he is "obliged to work" on January 25, the day of the strike.

"Professors are expected to show up for class."

Strong said he will be crossing student picket lines, and that he expects most professors and staff will too.

"I would have to [cross]. I work at direction of the board," Strong said. "Professors are expected to show up for class."

"But, if you call in sick, there is no given way to see if any given employee is really sick," he added. "I suspect what you'll see is different professors will have different approaches."

Strong said as far as he knows the employee unions and the faculty association will not be supporting the student strike.

"There is always a danger with strikes," Strong said. "I don't know what effect [the strike] will have."

Strong said he is wary of negative media attention the student strike might bring to the university.

He said that in his view, the strike will be successful only if Ottawa notices, and it isn't likely Ottawa would notice "even if UBC or UofA were closed".

"My fear is that even though the Green Paper was presented as a discussion paper, it is already a fait-accompli," he added.

"Whatever happens, I hope people realize we're all in this together," said Strong, "I don't know if the strike will be effective, but I have to confess, I don't know what is."❑

MARTLET INFORMATION

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BY S.A. DASHEVSKY

SO

SATURDAY MORNINGS JUST AIN'T WHAT THEY USED TO BE.

WINNIPEG (CUP) — I was feeling nostalgic last Saturday so I got up far too early, poured myself a big ol' bowl of ridiculously sweet cereal, and plopped down in front of the tube to watch cartoons. Yes, cartoons. Cartoons.

Look, there's nothing wrong with a grown man heartily enjoying a slice of entertainment tailored for, well, six-to-10-year-olds. We responsible, mature journalists refer to this as research.

Anyway, I eagerly searched for a familiar face: Bugs, Yogi, Scooby, Bullwinkle — you know, our dear friends from days gone by. But there was none to be found. No anvils. Nary a pic-i-nic basket. Nada.

Instead of my favorites, I was besieged with Beetlejuice, Hammerman, and (ugh!) The Care Bears. What had become of my childhood heroes Hong Kong Fooey, Rocket Robin Hood and Underdog? The more crap I was shovelled, the queasier I became.

I cried out in rage: "Come on, Mighty Morphin Power Rangers? Sheesh!"

An equally disturbing trend in modern-day cartoons stems from the greedy marketing weasels who taint the art. The eternal dilemma "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?" has been transformed into "which came first, the deluxe action figures or the cartoon?" It's shameless, very shameless. At least when we were eager, snot-nosed kids, they did things in order; cartoon first, unprincipled, shameless marketing strategy later.

But in order to give the piss-poor cartoons of today a fair shake, I decided to run a little comparative study. The results were clearly conclusive.

We had The Bugs Bunny and Roadrunner Hour. Ah, the sheer comic genius of Friz Freeling, Mel Blanc, and Chuck Jones shone through in such Oscar-winning sketches as "The Singing Frog" ("Hello my baby, hello my honey...") "The Portable Hole," and of course, "The Rabbit of Seville." Who among us can contain a chuckle when thinking of Bugs Bunny making a salad on Elmer Fudd's scalp? "Come into my shop, let me cut your mop, let me shave your crop...daintily."

Other very noteworthy sketches include Robin Hood played by Daffy Duck ("Dodge. Turn. Parry. Spin!"), the Sylvester-Tweety sketch on the cruise ship ("The boat wocked and wocked.

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We had Rocket Robin Hood, Hercules, and The Amazing Spiderman. I lump these three together because of their collectively poor animation. Although the main characters and their environments were drawn quite well, these were action-packed cartoons, and action denotes animated motion, and quite frankly, I've seen smoother motion in a 1920s robot movie.

But don't get me wrong, the fine plots, keen dialogue, memorable soundtracks, and general excitement associated with these cartoons far outweigh the quality of animation. Rocket Robin Hood has one of the most uplifting and inspiring theme songs of any cartoon ever invented: "Stand up brothers, marching together/heads held high in all kinds of weather..." But don't forget Hercules: "Hercules, people are safe when near him/Hercules, only the evil fear him." And Spiderman has probably the only theme song in history to use the word bub: "Is he strong? Listen bub/He's got radioactive blood." Yuck, radioactive blood. Anyhow, they were fine, fine role models and fine, fine cartoons.

They have Hammerman. The animation is on par with the former three, but this cartoon lacks all of the attributes that made them great. C'mon, a rapping superhero with superpowered dancin' shoes? I could come up with a better idea while I'm on the can. Pass on this loser.

We had The Justice League of America, the first politically correct cartoon. They featured superheroes of all types: females (Wonder Woman, Supergirl) African-Americans (Black Lightning) Native Americans and Hispanics. They had that cool geodesic Justice Hall. They had the Wonder Twins, remember them?

It would be cool to be a superhero, but if you could only transform yourself into an animal or something made of water, you might have to think twice. "Wonder Twin powers, activate. Form of monkey. Form of an ice bridge." Yeah, whatever.

They have Batman: The Animated Series, which is, in my opinion, the best new cartoon today. Being a former avid comic collector, I was always disappointed with the campy portrayals of The Dark Knight on TV, both animated and real-life. Yet this new cartoon devotes time and plot to Batman's darker nature, and the darkness associated with crime. They have quite skillfully taken the spirit of the comic and transferred it to the tube. And the 8 a.m. time slot gives kids a chance to watch it while they're eating breakfast. Kudos all around.

We had The Rocky and Bullwinkle Show. Who ever thought that a flying squirrel and his moose buddy could be so damn funny? Definitely one of the best written cartoons ever, if you include such peers as The Simpsons, The Flintstones and Bugs Bunny. It is one of those multi-generational cartoons that the young and old alike can enjoy for entirely different reasons.

When I was a kid, the absolutely funniest cartoon bit was when Bullwinkle said: "Say Rocky, watch me pull a rabbit out of my hat. Nothin' up my sleeve (rips off own sleeve)...Presto! (a lion/rhinoceros/tiger pops up out of hat and growls). Oooh, I gotta get me a new hat." That killed me when I was a lad. But now that I'm an adult, (supposedly) I find subtle nuances hidden in the dialogue that went way over my younger head. Truly a classic.

They have nothing remotely comparable to the former masterpiece.

Well, I hate to sound like a nasty old man complaining about the world today ("Ehh, when I was a young whippersnapper like yourself...") but let's face it, the brunt of today's cartoons just plain suck.

Not one is fit to occupy a position in the prestigious line-up of Pirate Pete's Cartoon Lagoon.

National News

Few consent to genital alteration

by Deana Beltsis, *The Link*, Concordia University

MONTREAL (CUP) — Sunita will never forget the sharp-edged green piece of glass they used to cut her genitals.

Sunita was six years old when her mother brought her to Egypt to visit her aunt and uncle. She remembers being held down by five women.

"My legs were spread apart," she said. "My aunt held one leg and my mother the other. Two women I did not know held my arms.

The midwife, a short older woman, squeezed and cut out my clitoris; she then clamped onto the lips of my vagina and cut away my flesh. I remember very well. She used a green piece of glass that quickly turned red. I was sewn shut. I hated my mother."

Sunita is one of 114 million women worldwide that have been circumcised against their will, in what is known as female genital mutilation (FGM). According to the World Health Organization, at least two million girls a year are born into cultures that practice FGM, and 6,000 girls are mutilated daily.

Scarred for life Katherine Tait, ed daily.

Scarred for life Katherine Tait, executive assistant for The National Council of Women in Canada, said there are three forms of female genital mutilation.

Circumcision, the mildest form, is the removal of all or part of the clitoris. The second form, excision, is the cutting away of the clitoris and all of the vaginal lips.

The third, and most horrific, is infibulation. This involves the removal of all genital parts, followed by the sewing together of the two sides of the vulva with thorns or catgut sutures so that when the remaining skin of the labia majora heals, it forms a bridge of scar tissue over the vagina.

A tiny opening is preserved by the insertion of a twig or small object to allow for the passage of urine and menstrual blood.

According to Tait, it is not uncommon for a child to hemorrhage to death because of the crude, unhygienic tools used by practitioners.

"Most of the women that undergo this procedure have some sort of complication throughout their lives," she said.

These complications range from pain, bleeding, infections and difficulties in childbirth, to reduced or total lack of sexual pleasure.

In some form or another FGM is practiced in more that 39 countries, mostly throughout Africa, from Senegal to Somalia. The operation is on the rise in Yemen and Oman, and is very common in Malaysia and Indonesia.

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To many of the cultures that practice female genital mutilation, it is a ceremonial rite of passage, marking a girl's coming of age.

Practitioners believe it suppresses sexual urges, ensuring female virginity before marriage, and deterring infidelity after marriage.

Tait says there are no documented cases of doctors performing these operations in Canada, but it is widely believed to occur.

Sunita belongs to a women's group in Canada that helps victims who have survived FGM. She says female circumcisions are an underground practice in Canada.

"Families take their children back to their countries of origin or save money to bring the circumciser over to Canada. The word then "Families take their children back to their countries of origin or save money to bring the circumciser over to Canada.

The word then spreads around the immigrant communities and other families will pay to have the operation performed on their daughters," Sunita said.

No studies have yet been done to determine how many FGM survivors there are in Canada, who exactly is performing these rituals and where they are being done.

"This doesn't surprise me. People who practice it have no choice but to go underground. Under Canadian law, it falls under child or sexual abuse. Communities who find doctors or midwives willing to perform the mutilation are not likely to report them," she added.

Making FGM a criminal offence CNN broadcast footage of a clitoridectomy being performed on a CNN broadcast footage of a clitoridectomy being performed on a screaming girl last September during a UN-sponsored International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo. Egypt.

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"People had the chance to see how brutal FGM is. It is condoned in many of these countries. Women in these countries are the property of their husbands and no one is likely to take damaged property," Sunita said.

One month after this graphic coverage was shown, a federal consultation paper, which asked Canadians to consider the possibility of allowing a person's cultural beliefs to be used as a general defence for committing crimes, was released.

Justice Minister Allan Rock said Nov. 17 that he would never introduce a general 'cultural defence' into the Criminal Code to allow people to escape conviction on the grounds of their religion or culture.

Rock said he was "especially troubled" that it may be used as defence to justify female genital mutilation.

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"There is no doubt that FGM will be defended by certain groups on the grounds that it is part of their culture. Culture is often used as an excuse," Sunita said.

"FGM is a form of severe violence against young girls and women, and there is absolutely no reason as to why this violence has to occur. Whether it be culture or religion, sexual disfigurement of girls is wrong."

Many groups and organizations want a bill passed that would specifically make FGM a criminal offence. Recently, Quebec MP Christine Gagnon introduced a private member's bill amending the criminal code to make FGM a spevate member's bill amending the criminal code to make FGM a specific offence.

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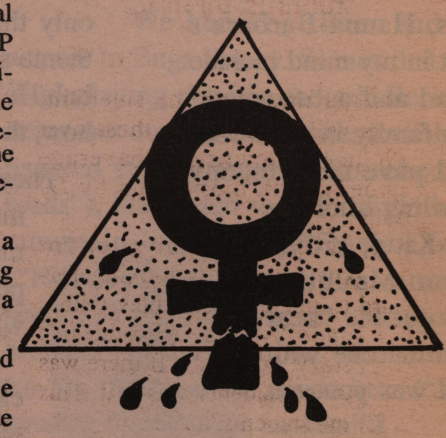
"Charges of sexual or child abuse aren't good enough. We want it stated in the Criminal Code of Canada. We've sent proposals to the Minister of Justice several times," Tait said.

Other groups like Women's Health in Women's Hands, a Toronto-based organization, are also strongly opposed to female genital mutilation.

"We firmly believe that a law should be passed making FGM a specific criminal offence. We are trying to lobby governments throughout the world to pass laws making the mutilation of women illegal," said Linda Cornwell, a member of the group which, in addition to political advocacy, provides emotional and educational support to women that have undergone mutilation.

"I've always been a firm believer in religious rights and freedoms. I believe that every religion and culture should be tolerated. I'm also a strong believer in human rights, and the right not to be maimed or mangled in anyway belongs to every woman and every young girl always."❑



Fashion slaves exploit crafters

by Sunita Bidaye, *The Underground*, Scarborough Campus, Uof T

TORONTO (CUP) — Clothing produced by artisans in developing nations is, in many cases, worn for fashion rather than for expressing global awareness.

The cultural significance of these clothes is ignored — yet tainted by the economic decision makers who exploit workers in the name of profit.

Textile makers once designed clothing to express their cultural identities, which were rooted to their lifestyles. Today they are forced to sell both their clothes and identities just to survive.

Tory Mercer of Pueblo to People, a Texas-based Alternative Trading Organization (ATO), says that those who sell their work independently are constantly striving to make enough money to pay for supplies like dye and to feed their family.

He also says that tourists and large-scale buyers stroll around the markets in search for the best price — but they purposely wait until the very end of the day, when the artisans are so desperate to earn money that they sell their goods at terribly inequitable prices.

Sweatshop working conditions are just as bad. In Latin America, most of the clothing produced is designated for the United States for brand names such as Levi's, Liz Claiborne, Sears and Ocean Pacific. These companies escape the factory legislations in their own countries by operating in the Third World, where labour is cheap.

According to Barbara Strong, a Canadian human-rights advocate, women are paid between $1 and $2 American for a 16-hour work day, six days a week.

The Multinational Monitor reports frequent instances of forced overtime and sexual abuse, as well as respiratory problems like asthma attacks because of cotton dust.

In most cases, there is no government enforcement of factory standards. Many Zapotec weavers in Mexico complain of exhaustion, back pains and other physical ailments.

"When you get pregnant, you feel the strain of weaving," says Josefina Vasquez, a Mexican weaver. "With the first child, a lot of weavers feel the pain because the loom mistreats your belly. It is hard to stand up for so long."

Also, workers are seldom protected from toxic chemicals and dust, to which they are constantly exposed when dying cloth.

In many developing countries, more than half of all pesticides such as paraquat are applied to cotton. One nurse at a clinic in Guatemala's cotton-growing region says, "We treat 30 or 40 people a day for pesticide poisoning." Many of these chemicals end up in water systems, making the water toxic.

At the same time, developments are occurring with the growth of ATOs like Bridgehead, which has set up a training centre promoting economic empowerment for women in Ahmedabad, India.

Each full-time worker is paid 900-1,000 rupees a month, compared to the 300 rupees they would earn working in a local mill. It still means only about $50 a month. to the 300 rupees they would earn working in a local mill. It still means only about $50 a month.

Another ATO, the Tara Project, run in the slums of New Delhi, India, pays its workers 30 to 100 per cent more than its commercial counterparts.

Thus, despite critics who say that ATOs do the same thing to a lesser degree, ATOs seem to offer safer and more equitable solutions to the problem of exploitation.

In their own shops, ATOs charge higher prices for clothing from the Third World, but the earnings do reach the people who actually made the clothes — allowing them to support themselves and to have some control over their destinies.❑

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Support strike - see *Spirit*

by Sarah Gorlewski
and Stacy Cooke

Strike Benefit
Spirit of the West, Fungkus, Through the Gate, The Love Babies
UVic Commons Block
January 24

UVic students can support the National Strike, just by going to a concert.

Tues., January 24 at 8:30 p.m., four bands will take the stage at the Commons Block for a strike benefit.

Spirit of the West is headlining, along with local funk/groove band Fungkus, Celtic folk band Through the Gate, and newcomers to the local music scene, The Love Babies.

"If there was one gig for students, this is it..."

Spirit of the West joins local bands to support the National Student Strike and save education.

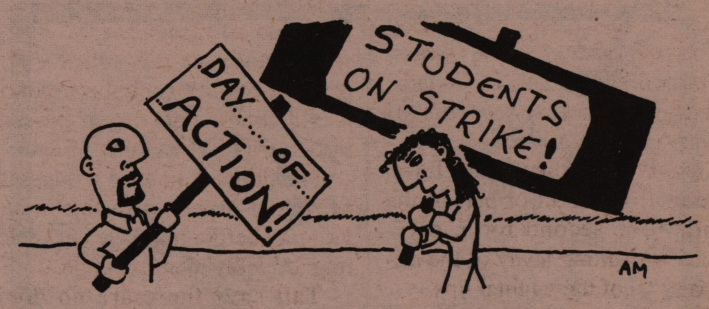
After these acts the entertainment will continue (for those over 19) in the downstairs beverage gardens, with music spun by DJ Bellyfish.

Nick Blasko, guitarist for Fungkus, said he is looking forward to the chance to play with a big band. "Anyone who doesn't go is crazy," he said. "If there was one gig for students, this is it. This is for the students."

Proceeds from ticket sales will go towards the National Student Strike awareness campaign and student transportation to the Legislative buildings on the day of the strike, January 25th.

Advance tickets are sold out, but approximately 150 tickets will be available at the door ($15 students, $18 public). Scot McFadyen of Beastie productions is working on arranging a second concert for the 25th.

This is a chance to support the strike, leave your books alone for an evening, and show you want to continue your relationship with them next fall.❑



Open Space Gallery has black holes

by Shea Stiles

Black Lies and Other Holes/ Black Holes and Other Lies
by Dianne Searle
Open Space Gallery
until January 21

A black hole is a region of space, time, or gravity so strong that nothing can escape from within it. This definition is only the beginning of what Dianne Searle explores in her show, Black Lies and Other Holes/ Black Holes and Other Lies.

The refreshingly unique show takes observers on a short journey through a world of art and science. Upon entering the gallery, the visitor takes a map displaying the specific sequence in which to view the work. We are presented first with a large black circle representing a black hole and the many conceptions that go along with the image.

We are brought to a wall displaying a collage of circular black frames. Each frame contains hints of information about the universe and the mystery surrounding it. The next display follows the same pattern, but uses white frames, challenging the viewer to see things in an opposing light.

The display is complimented with definitions, phrases, quotes, and diagrams derived from mental giants on both ends of the spectrum. On one hand we have Einstein's theory of relativity, on the other, we have Lewis Carrol's poetic genius, demonstrated by pieces from Alice in Wonderland.

There is a feeling of mystery and wonder about the show. The viewer is almost forced to see things "through the looking glass." The show finishes another black circle.

The interior is displayed as a blank chalk board with white pedestals on either side. One pedestal holds a chalk stick, the other holds an eraser, thus inviting exploration of the impossible....

Black Holes and Other Lies/ Black Lies and Other Holes runs until January 21 at the Open Space Gallery.❑

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Big Country releases live set

by Lucas Aykroyd

Without the Aid of a Safety Net
by Big Country
Chrysalis Records
1994

Big Country enjoyed an enormous debut album in the mid-80s. But then they seemed to vanish from the rock 'n' roll landscape.

Opening for Alice Cooper will do that to the most dedicated of basic boogie bands.

But the Scottish foursome has survived such disastrous outings to release this live set, recorded on December 29, 1994 at The Barrowlands in Glasgow. It's certainly the epitome of untrendiness: no grungy guitars, no excessive expletives, and a number of discernible melodies.

However, most of the group's hits are probably unknown in North America for a good reason. They're rather boring. Straightforward 4/4 sweat will only take you so far.

Their no-frills approach and social conscience does have its appeal in concert, as shown by the crowd's enthusiastic response. "Chance" provokes a massive sing-along, and the stark groove of "Lost Patrol" gets the Glasgowians clapping smartly.

But unless you're already a staunch Big Country fan, this is a "you had to be there" kind of record.❑

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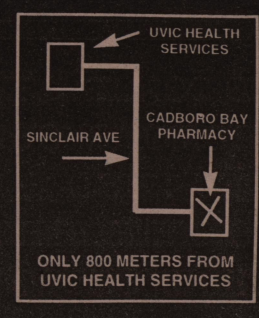

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Believe In Jeremy Greenhouse

by Annabel Youens

The Things That You Believe In
by Jeremy Greenhouse
Folkstone Creative Enterprises, 1994

Jeremy Greenhouse is making a name for himself. His debut CD, *The Things That You Believe In,* was released in March 1994 to a sold out audience of 300 at Victoria's Kaleidoscope Theatre.

He is often called a folk singer, but his style seems to pass that boundary. On a first listen, the album is pleasant to the ear and soothing. Vocal melodies blend with percussion, violin and guitar.

After repeated listening the power of the lyrics stand out. The words tell a story, and each one is different. "Lingering In Your Eyes" is a tale based on Mozart's younger sister. Supposedly, her own musical talent was suppressed because she was female.

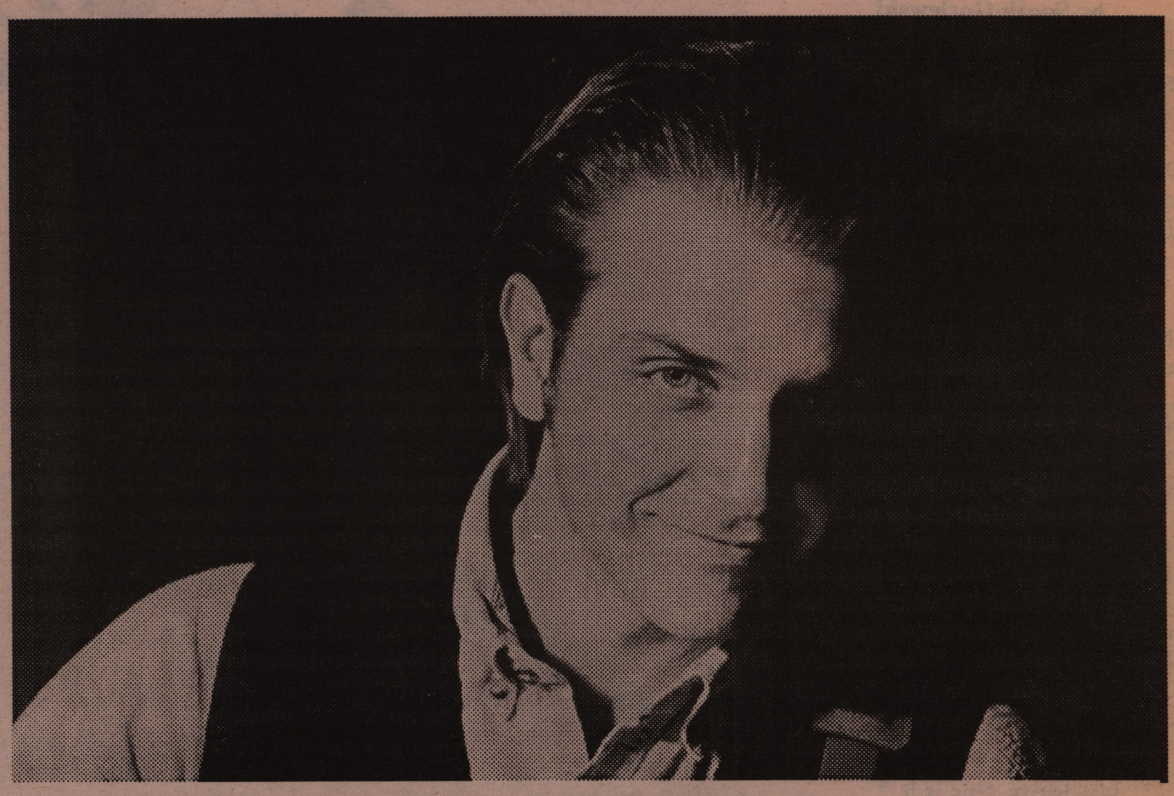
Greenhouse's songs appear to be close to his heart. You can hear passion in "Covered In Trees", a soft tale about clear cutting in our province.

"The words tell a story and each one is different."

Greenhouse seems to be influenced by the legendary Stan Rogers. Greenhouse shares Rogers' interest in our past, as evident in "Mackenzie":"Mackenzie had a printing press, the words he wrote were true/Talked about injustice and the rebellion comin' soon."

Greenhouse has a powerful understanding of Canadian history and a stirring method of presentation. The album is touching and real.

You can see Greenhouse playing this weekend at Java Coffeehouse, January 20 and 21 at 9:00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in advance for $5.❑



Jeremy Greenhouse plays Java this Friday and Saturday.

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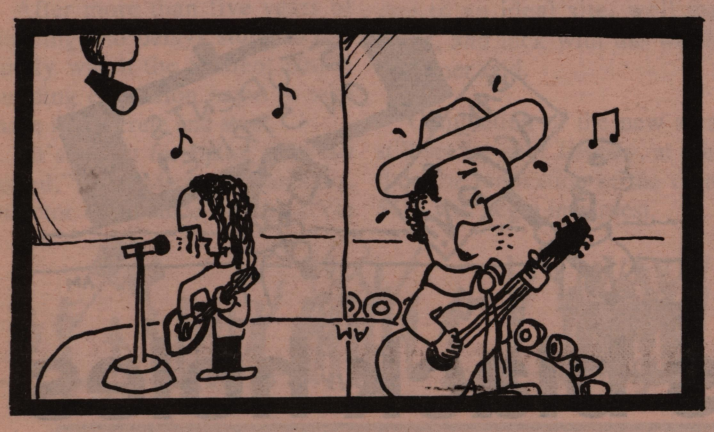

Brooks is back - with hits

by Brian Brown

Garth Brooks—the Hits
by Garth Brooks
EMI, 1994

Good ol' "truck-drivin', beer-crackin', over-taxed, flag-wavin', fun-lovin'" Garth Brooks is back with his greatest hits.

This collection is partly a marketing ploy. It's a "limited edition" and features ads for albums, videos and a fan magazine.

Nonetheless, Brook's talent is as obvious as an elephant at a rodeo. His hits range from the down-home fun of "American Honky-Tonk Bar Association", to the hard-driving "The Thunder Rolls". "We Shall Be Free" shows a gospel style, and "Unanswered Prayers" is a power ballad.

Brooks himself thinks the beautifully acoustic "If Tomorrow Never Comes" is his signature piece. In terms of lyrics, "Rodeo" is cool: "A broken home and some broken bones is all he'll have to show, for this thing called rodeo."

With 18 first-class tracks, *Garth Brooks: the Hits* shows why Mr. Brooks is the hottest musician since Elvis.❑

The University of Victoria Students' Society would like to thank all undergraduate students for their patience with this year's health plan and apologise for the inconvenient refund procedure. We recognise that there are a number of improvements which could be made and have been working to make these changes.

Next year, students opting out of the health plan will not be required to pay up front and wait for reimbursement. Instead, a mechanism will be in place to eliminate the charge from your accounts.

For those students who enjoy the benefits of the plan, and those who wish the plan had more benefits that they could enjoy, we are working to provide additional services at similar costs. One service we are investigating is a return to pay direct cards.

If you have extended medical coverage and did not opt out in the fall, please ensure you do not miss the February 10 deadline.

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Revue this comic duo Local Anxiety

by Joel Schaefer

The Year In Revue
Local Anxiety
McPherson Playhouse
until January 21

If you're feeling stressed about the deficit, ashamed of your representative in government, or just plain worried to baldness, you are not alone. And if being able to laugh about your problems is the remedy, then you might try a dose of "Local Anxiety," a Canadian comic duo appearing at the McPherson Playhouse until January 21.

Mark Leiren-Young and Kevin Crofton have returned to their old comedic stomping grounds with the third annual *The Year In Revue*. Using skits, songs and satire, the two former Victorians put most things Canadian, and a few things American, under their slightly twisted, but light-hearted microscope.

"Leave no stone unturned...that's the goal," said Crofton, 39, an accomplished musician, songwriter, and actor. To this end, the duo takes a shot at everything from the loonie to love at the legislature, and everyone from Audrey McLaughlin to Bill Vander Zalm. A word of caution: those people feeling close emotional ties to Preston Manning's Reform Party may find some scenes in Mr. Manning's Neighborhood offensive.

"We actually had some people hissing and walking out," said Leiren-Young, 31, who graduated from UVic with a BFA in theatre and creative writing. "You can sort of feel the pulse of a community," he observed.

"Local Anxiety" has toured from Toronto to Victoria, and makes a point of tailoring some of the material to local political issues. The results have varied from hissing in mainland B.C. to black-clad onlookers in Toronto trading dry comments like, "That was very, very funny," instead of actually laughing. The range of reactions is no shock to these sultans of satire.

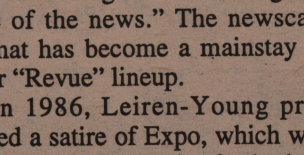
Crofton and Leiren-Young met during the Victoria improv soap opera Beacon Hill, in 1984. At the time, Crofton also had a radio show on CFUV, and brought in Leiren-Young to do "the lighter side of the news." The newscast format has become a mainstay in their "Revue" lineup.

In 1986, Leiren-Young produced a satire of Expo, which was the first political satire for both of them. They followed with spots on CBC's Double Exposure, Sunday Morning, and commissions for National Public Radio, Tacoma, to satirize U.S. politics.

Crofton took a year's leave from his job as a youth-care counselor, and Leiren-Young juggles his award-winning freelance journalism and playwriting to tour full time. "It sort of happened by accident. We had no intention of performing," said Crofton.

On stage, they complement each other well, and if anything, could push their antics further in performance. Most of the program was "the lighter side of the news," but occasionally a biting sarcasm was evident under the surface. Sketches like "Ruffi: the environmentalist or eco-terrorist, depending on your point of view," belie the credible amount of research in the pair's writing.

For information on showtimes, call the McPherson Playhouse box office at 386-6121.❑



Comedy duo Local Anxiety poke fun at Canadian politics in *The Year in Revue.*

Smokin' is enjoyable

by Brian Brown

Smokin' the Goats
by One
EMI 1994

With the release of *Smokin' the Goats*, One have proven themselves leaders of sugar blues.

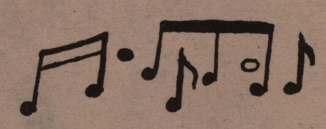
The distinction should be made because even though the songs on *Smokin' the Goats* occasionally have sad-seeming lyrics, the strong horns and guitars never convey the sadness of delta blues.

Examples of particularly upbeat songs include "Bully on the Dance Floor" with its canned applause and its joyful chorus, and "Wide Load", which is musically good but lyrically sexist, as it makes fun of a fat woman.

More atmospheric songs include "Unlucky One" with its distorted voices and sounds, and "Doin' it for the Money", which has a church-organ intro, multi-tracked guitars and an ironic message about the music business.

"Stranglehold" has an interesting combo of harpsichord and funky guitar, with appropriate love-song lyrics: "Love can cleanse your soul, while it's got you in its stranglehold."

The album might disappoint hard-core delta blues fans, both in terms of the instrumental style and the singing voices (no Louis Armstrong here); however, *"Smokin' the Goats"* is creative and enjoyable in its own way, and should have a wide demographic appeal.❑



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UVic works hard on rugby fields

by Jay Bertagnolli

On Saturday the UVic Vikes rugby team played an always-strong James Bay squad. James Bay came onto the field ready to play and quickly earned the opening points, scoring a try by taking advantage of a lapse in the UVic defense.

They narrowly held this early momentum throughout the game, winning the match 20 - 18.

But the Vikes made it a tough win. After the initial loss the UVic squad made a strong push towards the James Bay try line, whose defense proved to be impenetrable.

On this push, James Bay captured the ball off the ground when it was fed out from a ruck.

After that play, a penalty taken by UVIC in their end gave James Bay the chance to kick a field goal, putting them up by seven.

It took UVic this first 20 minutes of the game to shake off any nerves, but when they did, they proved that they too could put results on the board.

"We were getting to the ball with greater numbers," said Vikes' veteran Brad Underwood.

Increased pressure and smart playing created an overlap of the backs to penetrate the James Bay defense. Gord Lee scored the Vikes first try and put the team within two.

The Vikes next try was scored after a high tackling penalty on Chris Sandor gave UVic possession.

It was fed out the line to Dars Albertini, who blitzed down the field in a breakaway. The Vikes led by three (10 - 7).

In the second half, the Vikes' roll continued when Dan Mark scored UVIC's third try. "Dan's try was a direct result of [UVic] driving them right over onto their asses. . . - well done," said UVic Coach Doug Tate.

James Bay very quickly reasserted themselves, scoring a try out of a scrum on the Vikes' try line.

UVic took advantage of another James Bay penalty shortly after Jason Penaluna kicked for two more.

Leading at this point 18 -13, it was again a lapse in UVic defense that allowed another James Bay try.

Two-year veteran Brendan Hoko said, "Two defensive lapses cost us the game".

"Everything else was perfect," said Jason Penaluna. UVic hopes to have a completely perfect game this weekend when they play Lake Cowichan.❑

by Sandy Lumley

The UVic women's rugby team blasted into the '95 season with a 35 - 0 win over Simon Fraser University.

"The team performed well for their first game back into the season," said Ryan Ayre, head coach of the Valkyries who last year coached the team to a victory at the B.C. finals.

"We were a bit shaky in the first half but the team really came together in the second," he added.

Despite the rain and the cold the Valkyries were able to power through with trys scored by Sandy Peel, Andrea Langfeldt, Jenifer Mustard (2), Chastity Petersen, and Lili Zsoldos (2).

Zsoldos gave an excellent performance, scoring two consecutive trys in the second half.

"The team is going through a building process," said veteran player and assistant coach Andrea Camp.

She said that the majority of last year's championship team was lost to the Oak Bay Castenay's. She added that through hard work and continuing experience the Valkyries are sure to rise to the level of stardom once again.

The Valkyries go head to head against the Casteways this Sunday at 12:15 at Wallace field.❑

file photo

by Jay Bertagnolli

UVic's under-19 rugby team, the Jutes, will be playing in the B.C. Final for the sixth year in a row this weekend.

Unfortunately, attendance does not always ensure results.

For the past three years, the title has been won by Capilano's under-19 squad.

This year the Jutes will again face Capilano, with the intention of stopping them from earning a fourth straight victory.

The Jutes' coach Brendan Hoko, predicts this to be possible if his team plays strong, and more importantly, demonstrates a desire for the victory. Only a combination of the two will stop Capilano's streak, and start one for the Jutes.❑

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Attention All Sports Enthusiasts

The sports editor workstudy position has come open. If you are interested in coordinating *the Martlet* sports section please come to *the Martlet* office (room 108) on Friday January 20 between 9am and 2pm and talk to Dave and Cam. If you can not make this time please phone 721-8360 and talk to Dave.

We also need sports - writers. Come to a Martlet volunteer meeting (Thursday, 4pm, Cinecenta) or come by the office.

Summer in the mountains

An insider's look at Jasper, Alberta

by Galadriel Findlay

After my first year of university, I needed a break. Different scenery. Fresh air. A place to make friends and have fun away from parents. And, hopefully, good money. Luckily, I knew a place that could supply all of these: Jasper, Alberta.

Situated in the Rocky Mountains in Jasper National Park, along the B.C./Alberta border, the town of Jasper is settled in a wide valley between mountain ranges.

It has a permanent population of approximately 4,000 people which swells to over 10,000 as motor homes and backpackers invade the quiet streets during Jasper's bustling tourist season from Victoria Day in May until Labour Day in September. The increased business makes the summer the opportune time for university students to head for the mountains and grab up the many available jobs.

The job market

Service says it all. Since tourism is the number one business during the summer, students primarily find themselves working as food and beverage servers, front desk clerks in hotels, tourist shop clerks, or chamberpersons. The best money is in serving. Wages are low, but paychecks can be banked as tips generally cover daily living. It's also a great way to make friends. Jobs are plentiful and many people manage to work two jobs at once.

A resident bighorn sheep.

photo G. Findlay

The most coveted jobs are those with Parks Canada. As a government position, they pay well, and, unless you screw up, chances are good that you'll be invited back to work summer after summer. The easiest ones to get are jobs as campground attendants or campground cleaners. More difficult to get are those of gate attendants, trail crew workers, and information centre attendants.

All of the positions which deal with the public require good knowledge of the park (there is a written test at the interview), especially of activities available to tourists, and it is not uncommon to try for the position three years in a row before getting it. Applications come out early in the year, so if these positions interest you, track them down immediately through the Vancouver Island Canadian Heritage office (363-5933) or, better yet, through the Parks Canada office in Jasper (403 852-6161).

Accommodation

This is the hard part. The easiest and therefore the smartest choice for people new to Jasper is staff accommodation. Many employers have rooms set aside in apartment buildings or houses and charge reasonable fees. The only con is that the employer then has control of you. If you quit your job or get fired, you're out on the street.

I once had an employer who demanded me to work on my day off or else move out. I angrily showed up to work. The moral is: if you live in staff accommodation, know your rights.

For those who succeed in working for Parks, incredibly cheap accommodation is provided (in fact, I once got paid to live in staff accommodation). It usually consists of trailers or bunkhouses at the place of work (campground, gate, etc.). Trail crews do not get accommodation.

The bold may attempt to find their own place, but do not rely on this! Show up as early as possible after school exams are over, before the rush, and you still may have no chance. Apartment buildings have year-long waiting lists, there is no such thing as a house for rent becoming available during the summer, and basement suites often become tourist accommodation for the summer at $30 or so a night.

Hint #1 - You can get the local newspaper on Tuesday afternoon before 5 at the Booster office, a whole evening before it comes out on the newsstands to get the first crack at any listings.

Hint #2 - Network. Talk to as many people as possible and tell them you need a place to live and there is a slim chance that one of them might know of something.

If you have the incredible luck to find a place, be prepared to move. Leases are rare and so you are at the mercy of the landlord. One summer I moved five times, including once when the landlord decided to turn the suite into tourist accommodation overnight, and another time when the landlord decided to turn the house into a beauty salon.

If you're stuck for a place, there are temporary fixes, such as the hostel and the campgrounds, but each have maximum stay lengths. Beware that sleeping in vans on town streets or highways is illegal, as is camping anywhere outside a defined campground.

A view of Mount Edith Cavell and Marmot Basin from Whistlers Mountain.

photo G. Findlay

In-town entertainment

So, you've got a job, you've settled in. What now? Fun.

Three bars constitute the majority of Jasper's nightlife. The Astoria Pub in the Astoria Hotel is a hot spot with outdoorsy locals, especially at Friday's Happy Hour which is discernible from the dozens of mountain bikes piled up outside the bar doors.

The AthaB in the Athabasca Hotel consists of two rooms. The "dead animal room," so named because of the stuffed animal heads lining the wall, is used by working-class locals and others to sit and talk, play pool, and play video lotteries. The other room has the dance floor and doesn't get used until later in the evening when it fills up with people dancing to heavy metal, country, and top 40 dance hits.

The younger crowd goes to Champs in the Sawridge Hotel, where grunge is the norm and slamdancing is permitted.

For dining out, the cheapest and best is Papa George's in the Astoria Hotel. The best hang-out joint is the Jasper Pizza Place, commonly called the Happy Place, a greasy diner with a liquor license. It now has competition from Northface Pizza.

The great outdoors

You can get bars and jobs anywhere. It's time to see what Jasper's all about and take advantage of the breathtaking scenery which has made it what it is.

Any self-propelled method goes. Mountain biking is immensely popular. Slug through the mud on the hills behind Jasper, called the Bench, or towards Jasper Park Lodge on the other side of the Athabasca River from town. Longer hauls are the Overlander trail which parallels the Yellowhead highway east of town, the 20-Mile Loop on the Bench, and the Valley of the Five Lakes trail which starts from town and parallels the Banff-Jasper highway.

Hiking is truly the best way to penetrate the mountains, reach summits, enjoy limitless views, and meet animals, and you'll never run out of places to go.

Buy *The Canadian Rockies Trail Guide* by Brian Patton and Bart Robinson (Summerthought Publishing). It has detailed descriptions and distances so you'll always know exactly where you are. View the Fiddle River from the top of Sulphur Mountain near the Miette Hot Springs, or look over Maligne Lake from the Opal Hills, which, at 22.3 kilometres, is the longest natural lake in the Rockies. Bypass the tram and bag Whistlers Mountain and you'll see the townsite far beneath you. If you get too tired, you can always take the tram back down.

Two of the most popular longer hikes are the Skyline trail and the Tonquin Valley trail. Before you set off, go to the trail office in the information centre to find out conditions, bear warnings, reservations, and to pay the newly-implemented backcountry fee.

In addition, you can rock climb at the Rock Gardens, off the 5th bridge over Maligne River and a short hike in (get a list of routes from Freewheel Bike Shop and bring someone who knows the way the first time or you'll never find it). Or join the River Runners Club to kayak and canoe, road bike on the highways, or, if you've got thick skin, swim in the crystal-clear, glacier-fed lakes.

Come September, you'll arrive home refreshed with a good bank account and plenty of great memories to get you through those weeks of term papers and exams.❑

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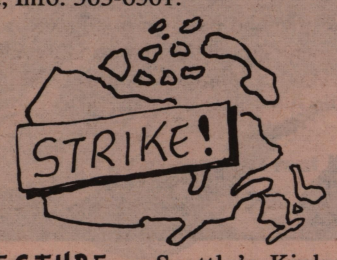
Thursday January 19

Cinecenta - *The New Age.* 7:10 & 9:20.

Lecture - A Forester Goes to Ottawa as an M.P. J. Duncan (RPF, MP, Campbell River). 10:30 am at the Pacific Forestry Centre, 506 West Burnside Rd. Info: 363-0600.

Lecture Acoustic Scintillation Flowmeter: Applications For A New Environmental Tool. D. Lemon/T. Curran. 2 pm at the Institute of Ocean Sciences Auditorium, 9860 West Saanich Rd, Info: 363-6561.



Lecture - Seattle's Kinky Underground: Faults, Folds, & Earthquakes. Dr. T. Pratt (USGS Seattle) 10:30 am, Milne Room, Pacific Geoscience Centre, 9860 West Saanich Rd. Info: J. Cassidy, 363-6382.

Luncheon - The UVic Commonwealth Club would like to invite all UVic Students, faculty, or satff to attend a luncheon with the Vancouver Island Royal Commonwealth Society at 11:30 at the Imperial Inn. The guest speaker will be Dr. Anthony Jenkins, professor of English and actor. Info: Adrian at 472-0025. There will also be a club meeting in Cle D126 at 3:30 pm.

Lecture Series - "Hearing Diverse Voices, Seeking Common Ground". A program of Study on Homosexuality & Homosexual Relationships produced by the Anglican Church of Canada. six sessions, 7 - 9 pm, beginning today and running Thursdays until Feb 23. $5 registrstion. 721-8338. Interfaith Chaplaincy Services, B228 Unicentre.

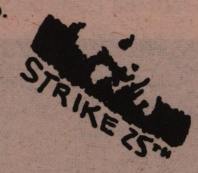
Friday January 20

Cinecenta - *Ed Wood.* 7:00 & 9:25.

Felicita's - The Troubleshooters. 8:30 pm. $3/$5.

Lecture - Preview of UVic Travel Study Program. 7 pm. Register: 721-8526.

Hockey Tourney - Esquimalt Parks and Recreation Commission present the Pacific Cup Hockey Tournament running from today until Sunday. Info: 386-2266.



Seminar - David Andolfatto, Department of Economics, U of Waterloo and SFU, presents "Technological Innovation, Diffusion and Aggregate Output Dynamics". 2:30 - 4:00 pm, Cor B344.

Lecture - Dr. Victor Rush, Deparetment of Biology, UVic. "Evolution of Visual Pigments". 3 pm, Cun 146.

Film/Lecture - Film titles: *Children of the Eagle* and *A Safe Distance*. Free admission and refreshments plus a draw for handcrafted items. A panel discussion will follow the films. 7-9 pm at the Lau Wei New Tribal School Cultural Building, 7449 West Saanich Rd. Info: 652-2788.

Saturday January 21

Cinecenta - *Ed Wood.* 7:00 & 9:25.

Felicita's
Chemistry Course Union Dance.

Lecture - Horse Logging Demonstration. 10 am, Kindwood Farms, meet at Sierra Club (1525 Amelia St.)

Lecture - Saanich Inlet Study: Open House. 10 am-3 pm, Institute of Ocean Sciences.

Workshop - Greek Folkdance Workshop with Dimitri Kontoyiannis. Teaching sessions from 10-12 noon and 2-4 pm at Church of Our Lord Hall, 626 Blanshard St. An after workshop party will be held at the same hall from 8-12 midnight, please bring finger food to share. $7 per session, $18 for full package, students half price. Info: 598-6888 or 595-4293.

Sunday January 22

Cinecenta - *La Traviata.* 7:10 & 9:20.

Lecture - Score-O:Orienteering. 12:30 pm at Beaver Lake, south end parking kiosk. $5/$3 students. Info: 721-7341.

Lecture - Fungus Among Us. 1:30 pm, CRD Naturalist Walk, East Sooke Park, meet at Pike Rd. parking lot.

Broom Bash - Help make way for spring wildflowers by removing the invasive Scotch Broom on Christmas Hill. Bring gloves and clippers, if possible. Participating parents may leave their 4-10 year olds for an afternoon of supervised nature

Advertisement Boycott Policy

This is an unpaid announcement to let you know of the active boycott policy that we have at the Martlet. As our constitution states, *the purpose of this policy, is to "act as an agent of constructive social change". This policy is intended to promote "constructive social change" by preventing advertisements which promote individual groups, and/or corporations that violate this clause.*
Using sources from across the country we check the validity of the boycotts and we add or delete groups as is necessary. Our goal in printing the compiled list today is to encourage any of you who have information on a boycott to bring it to one of the meeting times (see end of article) or drop it off at the Martlet office. With your help we can then establish a revised and up-to-date boycott list. The categories are as follows, with the current boycotts listed underneath:

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no boycotts at this time

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products: Pepsi, 7-Up, Mountain Dew
-for violently and illegaly opposing the legal formation of a union at the Pepsi Bottling Plant in Guatemala City, Guatemala and for firing workers against the Labour Court Judge's order.

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products: Coke, Minute Maid, Sprite, Fanta, Five Alive, Fresca, Pure Sun, Tab
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This category shall consist of individuals, groups, companies and/or subcategories which the Martlet deems destructive to society for various reasons.

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Boycott committee meeting times:
Jan 20 3p.m. Sub 137A
Jan 27 3p.m. Sub 137A

Classifieds

games and activities at the Nature House; please pre-register as space as limited. Meet at Swan Lake Nature House, 3873 Swan Lake Rd. at 1 pm to car pool to Christmas hill. Info:479-0211.

SCHOOL - Theatre Inconnu is pleased to announce the opening of Theatre Inconnu School of Drama. They will be offering classes in Acting, and Stagecraft for all ages in its fully operational, professional environment. Info: Robert Parker 380-1284.

MONDAY JANUARY 23

CINECENTA - Walt Disney's *Fantasia*. 7:10 & 9:25.

TUESDAY JANUARY 24

CINECENTA - *The Commitments*. 7:10 & 9:25.

FELICITA'S - Food, Foam & Flick Night. *Raiders of the Lost Ark* & *The Last Crusade*. 7 pm in the SUB.

LECTURE - Earth Quakes & Earth Structure. Dr. J. Cassidy, 3:30 pm, Cor A221. SEOS Seminar.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25

STRIKE - **National Student Strike.** 12:30 at the Legislature.

CINECENTA - *American Dream*. All seats $3! 7:10 & 9:15.

LECTURE - Birders Night. Victoria Natural History Society. 7:30 pm, UVic Begbie 159.

LECTURE - Ethical Dimensions of Euthanasia. Dr. E. Kluge, 7:30 pm. Register: 721-8526.

BIRTHDAY PARTY - Everywomans Books celebrates its 20th birthday. The general public is invited to share in the festivities, with cake, 20% off all books, and a gala reading by local author Rona Murray, Prince George's Bridget Moran, Vancouver's Shani Mootoo, and performing artists Kiss and Tell. It begins at 7:30 pm in UVic's David Lam Auditorium. Tickets are $13/$10 available at Everywomans Books or at the door. Info: 721-6160.

ON GOING

CINECENTA - Dolby Stereo is here! Cinecenta's January and February schedule celebrates the arrival by drawing from an extensive range of film genre to explore the quality of this new sound. Monday and Tuesday nights focus on films with great sound and feature a wide selection of opera, rock, and jazz films, as well as movies with great soundtracks.

PEN FRIENDS - Would you like to get in touch with people from around the world? If so then write to Global Penfriends, P.B. 14 Hovseter, 0705 Oslo, Norway, and join their international "pen-pal" organization. Please enclose an international reply coupon to cover return postage.

VOLUNTEERS - Do you want to make a difference in the lives of your peers and yourself? If so join the UVic Date Rape and Dating Violence Education Project, and help promote healthy sexual relationships through education and activism. Open to men and women. Info: 388-1512 for more details.

VOLUNTEERS - We are looking for interested students to help organize an awareness campaign about the Social Policy Review. If you are worried about tuition tripling, come help us out. We meet every Tuesday at 1:30 pm in SUB 137A.

VOLUNTEERS - Volunteers are wanted for substance abuse prevention program. Work with fun-focused groups of children (9-12 yrs old) one hour a week. Training provided. Phone Sylvia at 388-6210.

ART LECTURE - Diane Searle presents Black Holes & Other Lies/Black Lies and Other Holes, and eight piece multimedia installation as the first show of 1995 at Open Space Arts Society, 510 Fort St. The shows run each night from 8-11 pm with the Saturday 14th lecture beginning at noon.

CLUBS

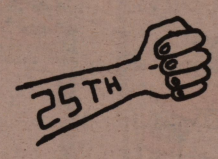
YOUNG LIBERALS - The UVic Young Liberals of Canada Club needs women! There is an obvious gender disparity among the members of the club. Politics is the domain of both men and women - don't allow our next generation of politicians to be just men! Info: Ann at 472-0025.

DYNAMIC CHRISTIANS - Campus Crusade for Christ is interested in meeting like-minded students to build a vibrant Christian movement at UVic. Call Jill at 478-3470 or e-mail jwikkeri@sol.

SCI-FI CLUB - Are you wonderfully weird and warped? Meet others like you in the Science Fiction and Fantasy Club. Tuesdays, Cle B466, 6:30 pm. Teracentrics need not apply.

UNITED NATIONS - Model United Nations Meetings are starting again, every Monday at 6:00 pm in Elliot 061.

REFORM B.C. - B.C.'s fastest growing political party has recently expanded to UVic! We have a dynamic new club, focusing on developing policy, gaining political experience, and having a good time now and then. If you would like to join, or would like more information call Mark at 721-1690.



MEDIEVAL CLUB - Thursdays 7:00 - 9:30 pm are Arts & Sciences nights. Explore costume construction and design, calligraphy, armoring, heraldry, and anything else we can think of. Saturdays 9:00 am -noon: Fighting practice. Learn and practice medieval foot combat and "Three Musketeers" style fencing. Info: Ted 480-7820

DEBATE UNION - Develop your public speaking skills! The UVic Debate Union meets every Monday at 4:30 pm in HSD A264. Fun or competitive debate for the beginner or the experienced!

NATIVE PLANTS - VIPIRG's Native Vegetation Committee meets every Tuesday from 11:30 - 1 pm in Sub 137A. Come learn about and get involved with native plant issues on campus.

ECONOMICS CLUB - Interested in creating new economic forms on campus? Come to the Alternative Economics meetings Tuesdays at 3:30 pm in Sub 137A or call Carolyn 598-9996.

COMMONWEALTH CLUB - World development, consensus, and cooperation: there is more to the Commonwealth of Nations than just the Games every four years. Be where the action is! Info: Chris 721-1653 or Christina 598-6330

LGBA - Come out to the LGBA. Tuesdays are the coming out meetings from 6 to 7:30 pm. Activist meetings are Fridays from 12:30 to 2:00 pm

LE CLUB FRANCAIS - Conversation hours are back! They're an informal relaxed way to practice your French no matter what level you are at. They will take place in the Upper SUB Lounge Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 & Thursdays 2:30-3:30 pm. Look for the flags on the table and drop by.

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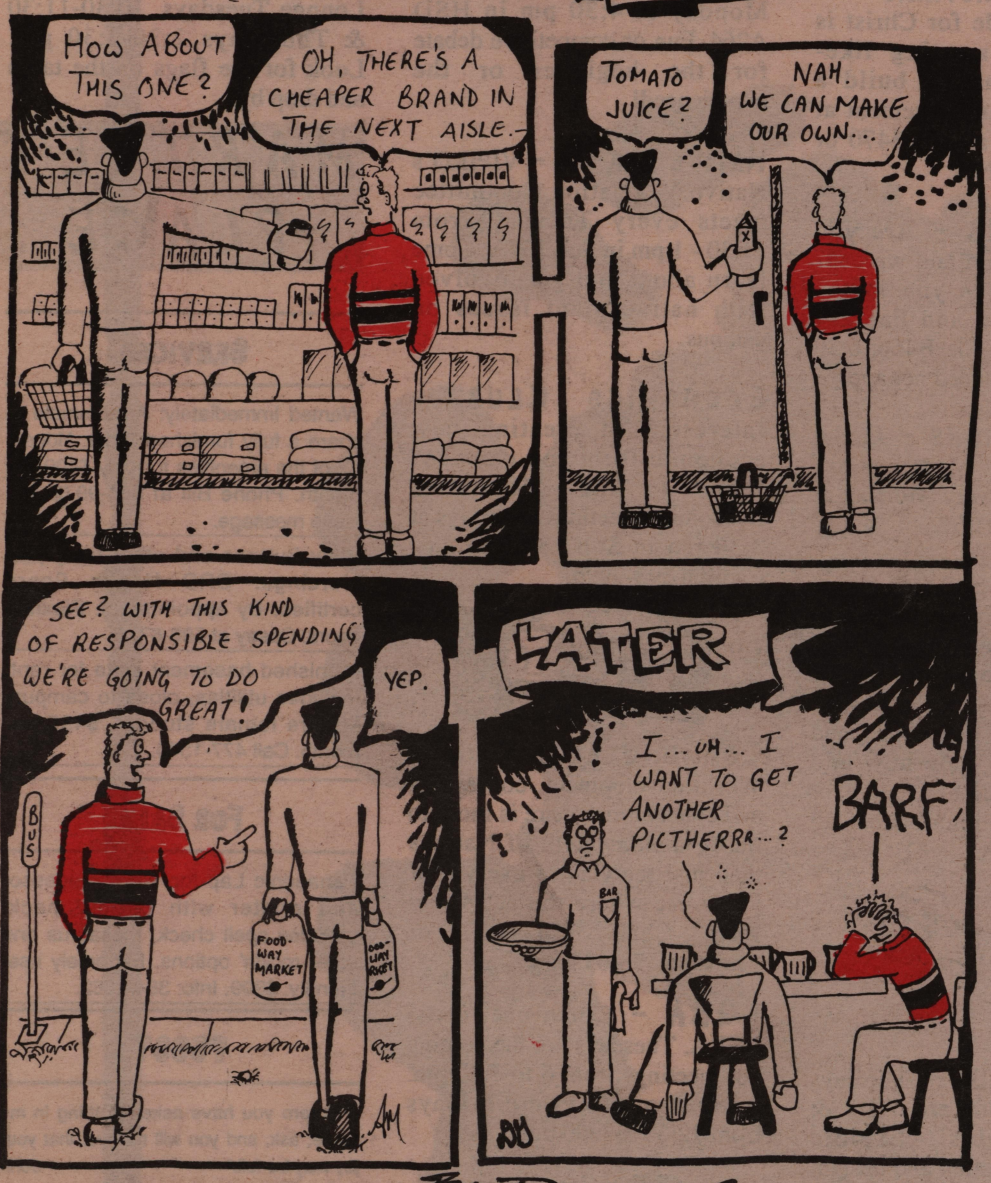

How About This One?
Oh, There's a cheaper brand in the next aisle.
Tomato Juice?
Nah. We can make our own...
See? With this kind of responsible spending we're going to do great!
Yep.
Later
I... uh... I want to get another pictherra...?
Barf
Food-Way Market
Bus
Bar

By Dane Gibson

GOOFBALLS

"A light look at the dark side of sports"

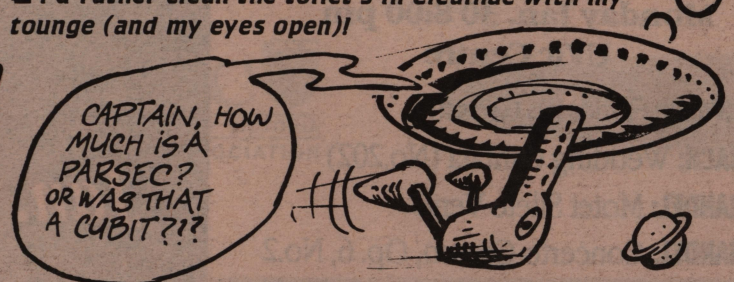
By Mike Chilton

WORLD MONEY

What did you think of the world premier of Star Trek Voyager?

WE WANT YOUR OPINION. PLEASE CHECK OFF THE BOX WHICH MOST APPLIES TO YOU AND RETURN IT TO THE MARTLET OFFICE.

- ❑ I would date Wesley Crusher just to watch a commercial of the show.
- ❑ I'd put a frown on the observatory to watch an episode.
- ❑ I would give up my life time free home delivery of Ad Busters to meet any of the characters.
- ❑ I would risk signing my grafitti on the library bathroom walls to get a picture of the show.
- ❑ I would skip classes all semester to watch the first episode over and over.
- ❑ It was okay.
- ❑ I can't believe I missed Melrose Place!
- ❑ I'd rather ride the Queen of Esquimalt for 24 hours non-stop.
- ❑ I'd rather be taking a Math 100 exam while having my wisdom teeth pulled without anisthetic.
- ❑ I'd rather suck on the socks of OJ Simpson at the end of his 2 year trial.
- ❑ I'd rather clean the toilet's in Clealhue with my tounge (and my eyes open)!



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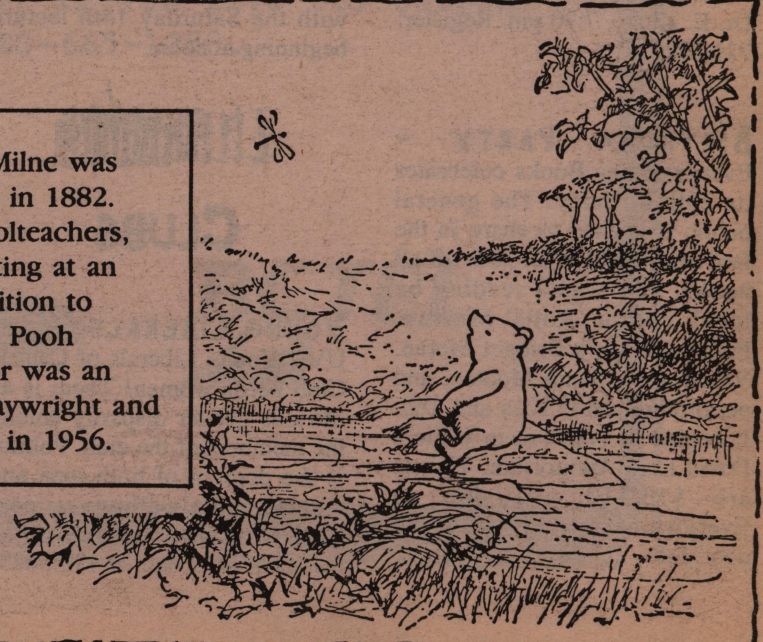
Alan Alexander Milne was born on this day in 1882. The son of schoolteachers, Milne began writing at an early age. In addition to creating the four Pooh books, the author was an accomplished playwright and essayist. He died in 1956.